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HIGH LIFE IN HONG KONG.

THE LITTLE THINGS THAT INTEREST.

COMEDIES OF MONTHS, FLOORS, AND AGES.

SHOCKS FOR WORTHY MR. AND MRS. GR FIN.

[By HERBERT FIELD.]

Hong Kong is essentially "London" "also," it is surprisingly Chinese. A mere speck on the map of the world, it nevertheless contains within its few hundred square miles—in using the term "Hong Kong," I of course include Kowloon and the New Territories—enough of interest to please the most blase traveller.

Its buildings and personalities of note, its scenic attractions and centres of commerce, its past and present history—all of these are constantly being commented upon by more illustrious and worthy knights of the pen.

The Little Things.

It is the lesser surprises which Hong Kong holds in store for the newcomer upon which I desire to comment from time to time. It is nearly always the case that the older residents in the Colony grow more than accustomed to the sights and sounds around them. Some even cease to take interest in the habits and customs of their Chinese neighbours. They take all things, in time, for granted.

For instance, tell your old-timer that when it is January in Victoria and Kowloon it is December (or it's equivalent) in Kennedy Town or Mong Kok and he will merely sniff in a "tell-me-something-new" manner.

But tell the newest Griffin the same thing and he will look at you wide-eyed and, when you explain that it is merely the difference between the Chinese and the Gregorian calendars which accounts for the discrepancy, his wonder in no wise abates. Instead, he writes home about it!

Yat, Yi Sam —.

So, although we are a month and more ahead of the Chinese in one sense, we are a year behind them in another. That is to say, if John Chinaman and I both saw daylight for the first time on the 6th day of May, 1898, when I reached the age of four, my Chinese "brother" would be five! And so on through our lives until, if the Old Age Pensions Act ever finds its counterpart in China, John will draw his $5 a week for a whole year before I can put in my claim.

Of course, the answer to this riddle is easy. Chinese babies are a year old at birth. And, judging from the wise expression lurking in their dark little eyes, I do not doubt it for an instant!

If we take unto ourselves wives and live in the same building in adjoining flats, John will always be a floor nearer heaven than I. If we use a lift to reach our respective abodes, I shall ask for the second floor and John will ask for the third floor.

But we will both leave the lift at the same landing, and each will have done right.

Again, the solution to this problem is easy. The Chinese always call the "ground" floor the "first" floor, therefore our "first" floor is, to them, the "second" floor, and so on.

John is quite correct, too.

Amahs, Rickshas, and Coolies.

Strange to say, while it is the little things that captivate the interest of Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, it is also the little things which displease them. In time, they get accustomed to the little things, and the big things pass unnoticed.

Mr. Griffin feels uncomfortable when he takes his first ricksha ride. He feels uncommonly mean to be drawn along the streets on a broiling hot day by a panting, perspiring human being. He thinks it a horrible thing to degrade a man to the level of a pony. But, after residing in the Colony for a month or two, Mr. Griffin, staunch Churchman though he may be, will not hesitate to prod the lagging ricksha coolie into greater speed. He may even go so far as to "toe" him fairly vigorously—in rank and utter defiance of all the laws of Hong Kong—should the coolie show undue insolence concerning his *cumshaw* at the end of the journey.

In like manner, his heart goes out at first to the poor fellows who carry him in a sedan chair up to the clouds which enshroud the Peak. His shoulders and legs ache from sympathetic auto-suggestion. In time, worthy Mr. Griffin grows as indifferent as everybody else, and the day soon comes when he declaims long and loudly against the extortionate demands of the coolies.

Mrs. Griffin gazes aghast upon the sight of a tiny child tied in a bundle to the back of a little *mui tsai* who is hardly big enough herself to be out of a nurse's care. At first she is sorry for the diminutive *amah*; then her remaining stock of sorrow and sympathy goes out to the baby on the girl's back.

Street Sleepers.

Its bare, bullet-shaped little head droops over the edge of the grimy shawl and rolls from side to side alarmingly, threatening every moment to dislocate its neck. The sun burns down upon the infant's head; the tightly-tied shawl threatens to choke the child, besides giving it permanent curvature of the spine and the danger of deformed limbs!

Later, Mrs. Griffin learns that Chinese babies are composed mainly of rubber and leather, that they can be quite comfortable in attitudes that would be uncommonly painful to Western children. She learns also that a Chinese baby soon bawls out as lustily as any European child if it is not quite comfortable. Thereafter, tender-hearted Mrs. Griffin ceases to trouble her head about the *mui tsai* and their charges.

Both worthy Mr. and Mrs. Griffin are shocked beyond words at the sight of the street sleepers—those poor dregs of humanity who, winter and summer, sleep on the pavements in the business quarter with an old sack or a piece of matting as their only covering.

"A disgrace to civilisation!" declare the indignant couple.

Later, they learn that a kind philanthropist once attempted to house some of them at Kennedy Town, but was cursed by the sleepers for his pains. They earn twenty cents a night for sleeping as "guards" outside the shops and offices, have never known a roof over their heads, and could not sleep under one if they tried.

In time, the Griffins get accustomed to them. Mr. Griffin still says they should be banished from the Colony, but for different reasons. He has seen them, stripped to the waist, picking insects from their filthy rags and tossing them into the air to be blown where the winds will!

Mrs. Griffin gets accustomed to the sight of women dragging carts along the streets, handling the great oars and sails of deep-sea junks, acting as coolies and labourers generally and she is quick to note that the women of this generation in China are stronger than the men!

Yes, it is the unimportant details of life in the East which charm, shock and grip the imagination, and it is to these that I intend to devote my pen. Let the more learned extol the virtues of Wuchow vases (made in Birmingham), Fuchow lacquer (from Nagasaki) and Tientsin carpets (manufactured in Bradford).

I shall be more concerned with the back streets of Chinatown for "copy."

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.
(November 18.)

Sale of Crown Land, Inland Lot No. 2979, P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

Half Yearly General Meeting of Voting Members of H.K. Jockey Club, Club Room, 5.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Movitone Follies 1929."

World Theatre: "Give and Take."

Star Theatre: "The Kid's Clever."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong Hotel, and Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High, 10.54 a.m. and 9.39 p.m.; Low, 4.22 a.m. and 3.33 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe *vid* Negapatam (Kutsang. Outward: Europe *vid* San Francisco, and *vid* Siberia (President Taft), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.
(November 19.)

Lecture: "Impressions of Java" by Dr. G. A. Herklots, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Society, Practice Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Movitone Follies 1929."

World Theatre: "The Veiled Woman."

Star Theatre: "The Cowboy Kid."

Tea Dance: Hong Kong Hotel, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High, 11.56 a.m. and 10.20 p.m.; Low, 5.09 a.m. and 4.01 p.m.

European Mails: — Outward: Europe *vid* Marseilles (Porthos), 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday.
(November 20.)

Interport Tennis: H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (Hong Kong) *v.* Gordon Lum and Paul Kong (Shanghai), H.K.C.C. ground, 3 p.m.

Hockey: Club *v.* H.K.S.R.A., U.S.R.C. ground, 3 p.m.

V.D.M.A. "At Home," Helena May Institute, 4.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Movitone Follies of 1929."

World Theatre: "The Veiled Woman."

Star Theatre: "The Cowboy Kid."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, and Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Peninsula Hotel and Hong Kong Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High, 1.08 p.m. and 11.06 p.m.; Low, 6.03 a.m. and 4.26 p.m.

Thursday.
(November 21.)

Annual meeting H.K. Horticultural Society, Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson,. 5.15 p.m.

Extraordinary general meeting of seatholders and subscribers of St. John's Cathedral, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Interport Tennis: M. W. Lo (Hong Kong) *v.* Gordon Lum (Shanghai), H.K.C.C. ground, 3 p.m.

Hockey: Club *v.* H.K.S.R.A., Marina ground, 4.50 p.m.

Concert, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Movitone Follies of 1929."

World Theatre: "Where East is East."

Star Theatre: "Trent's last Case."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Repulse Bay Hotel, and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High, 2.34 p.m. and 11.58 p.m.; Low, 7.04 a.m. and 4.50 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe *vid* Suez (Malwa).

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GRIM END TO A HOAX.

The mystery of the man, the so-called Marquis de Champaubert, who was last month found to have been buried alive beside a forest path at Villennes, near Versailles, has been cleared up as to its main features. An ex-convict, named Henri Boulogne, has confessed that he and the dead man were accomplices in this *macabre* affair. From his statement, it is clear that the "Marquis," who called himself Marcel Clément, and whose real name was Clément Passal, had arranged for himself a mock funeral, which ended in an unexpected and tragic fashion. Boulogne has been detained on a charge of homicide.

Clément Passal, after a life of fraud, was engaged in negotiations for the publication of his memoirs. Apparently the business had not gone very favourably. A man of morbidly romantic imagination, he conceived the idea that the success of his book would be the greater if he could associate himself in the public mind with some striking and extravagant adventure. In conjunction with Boulogne, a former prison companion, he elaborated a scheme for working up a succession of fantastic stories about his detention and torture by a secret society. These entirely fictitious tales he typed out and sent to various newspapers. The plan was to culminate in his being buried alive by the "secret society" and his discovery, still alive, by journalists and cinema men.

A Grisly Plan.

Though the newspapers took no notice of his communications, he carried out his plan to the last detail. He rented a villa near Versailles. Assisted by Boulogne he made himself a coffin which he fitted with a rubber air-pipe. He then prepared letters informing the Press that he had been buried alive and enclosed a plan to indicate the spot. To ensure success the two went through a dress rehearsal to test whether the plan would work, Passal remaining for nine hours in the coffin. Satisfied with the result they then set out in the night for a lonely spot in the woodland road at Versailles, which Passal had selected, dug the grave, and put the coffin in it. Passal provisioned it with a few sticks of chocolate and then got into it, dressed only in his shirt, having previously given Boulogne the letters with instructions to post them. Boulogne placed the lid on the coffin and shovelled back the earth, being careful to leave the breathing-tube free. He then went off to perform the rest of his task. But being, as he stated, extremely tired, he first went to bed and slept heavily. He awoke late, and made haste to post the letters. Later on, becoming afraid, he went back to see how things were. He called through the tube. To his dismay no answer came, and slowly he realized that Passal must be dead. In fear lest he should be accused of murder, he then took flight.

In the meantime, the letters having reached their destination, the police were informed and the discovery of the body followed. An examination showed that Passal had died of suffocation. The air-tube on which he had relied was quite inadequate for the ventilation of so confined a space, and had merely served to prolong his agonies.

The grim irony of Passal's fate is given greater prominence in the Press than has been accorded to any criminal event in recent years, so that the vain desires of the pseudo-Marquis de Champaubert have been fulfilled. Unfortunately for him, even this measure of gratification has come too late.

A DESERT JOURNEY.

STRANGE STORY OF ALLEGED THEFT.

Harold Duncan (32), a traveller, who appeared at the Manchester County Police Court last month on a charge of robbing a Mrs. Wieden, of Stretford, was said to have been arrested at Colombo, Ceylon, to have escaped at Port Said from a liner bound for England, and to have crossed the desert to Cairo before being re-arrested there.

Mr. W. R. Murray, who prosecuted, stated that Duncan and Mrs. Freda Herminia Wieden, of Norbury Road, Stretford, entered into a business partnership, and on April 27 started a joint account at the Midland Bank, Mosley Street, Manchester, each depositing £150. On May 5 Duncan put before her a cheque for £2 and asked her to sign it, saying he wanted it for initial expenses. Some time later Mrs. Wieden visited the bank, and was informed that Duncan had drawn £280 from the joint account, leaving a balance of £20. The cheque he used was alleged to be the one at first made out for £2 and signed at his request by Mrs. Wieden. It had, said Mr. Murray, been altered by Duncan to £280.

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It was found that Duncan had sailed as a third-class passenger on the steamer Ormonde from Tilbury Dock, London, on May 25. He was arrested at Colombo, and while being removed to England by the same vessel he escaped by forcing his cabin door at Port Said on August 15. Duncan was re-arrested at Cairo, where he had travelled by a hired motor-car over the desert road.

Duncan was remanded for a week, and as he was being removed from the court he shouted, "Not guilty; not guilty."

"BETTER BABIES!"

ANOTHER BREAK WITH TRADITION.

[United Press.]

"Ooroof . . . ooroof . . ooroof!"
"Meow . . . meow . . . meow!"

That isn't a chorus from the zoo, but rather an attempt on the part of anxious fathers to keep their precious little babies in good humour during the final judging in a Better Baby Contest recently held in Nanking. For once the Chinese gentry cast their traditional dignity and reserve into the air because their offspring must appear at their best.

The contest was held under the auspices of the Public Health, the Social Service, and the Educational Bureau of the Special Municipality of Nanking. It was an epoch-making event inasmuch as it was the first time in the history of China—a nation—with traditional regard for age alone—that the importance of babies and children in the social order was given official recognition. China is now looking ahead into the future instead of living in the past. It is appropriate that the new Capital of the country should take the lead in the movement.

In a city where new ideas and modern ways have but recently been introduced, since the establishment of the new capital of the National Government a little more than a year ago, some efforts in the form of public lectures, poster advertising, etc., had to be made to educate the public in the matter. But public response was surprisingly great, for before the opening of the contest more than 500 babies had been registered. The contest was open to children between the age of six months and six years.

The Girls Win!

It was the Day of days for the little ones. Some came in fluffy Western woollens and some in gorgeous Chinese silk, but all were attended proudly and hopefully by their parents. They were given preliminary examination on the first day, whereby they were divided into three classes, A, B, and C, according to their weight, height and condition of nourishment. It was from the A class babies that the winners of the contest were to be chosen. Out of some 400 children who went through the preliminary examination, 141 qualified for this class. They were again divided into six age groups, from each of which five winners were selected by the judges in a final contest, according to their appearance, posture and activeness. Of the 30 prize babies, 16 were girls and 14 boys. With the exception of a 7-month old boy who won the first prize in the one-year-old group, the first prizewinners of the other five groups were all girls.

Examination of the weight and height of the children was based on the standard weight and height for Japanese children. The following chart shows how the weight of the prize babies compare with those of the Japanese standard babies:—

Age of First Prize Winners	Weight	Japanese Standard	Weight
	lbs.	Year.	lbs.
7 mon.	19.00	1	19.80
1 yr. 6 mon.....	24.00	2	21.78
2 yr. 10 mon.....	34.00	3	27.28
3 yr. 11 mon.....	32.50	4	28.38
5 yr.	40.00	5	31.90
5 yr. 4 mon.....	44.30	6	35.20

Judges of the contest were Mayor Liu Chi Wen, the Commissioners of the Public Health, the Social Service, and the Educational Bureaux, and a representative from the Ministry of Health. Besides special prizes for the winners, gifts were also given to every child that entered the contest. Presentation of prizes was performed by Mrs. Liu.

A Juvenile Bargain.

A little chivalry was witnessed by the United Press correspondent after the presentation of prizes when a boy of six, winner of the second prize in the 6-year-old group and proud possessor of a brand new tricycle, gladly exchanged it for a wooden horse when a diminutive lady, winner of second place in the 4-year-old group, told her little friend that she had wished for a tricycle.

Upon asked why he was willing to do so, he replied in a matter-of-fact way, "I already have a big one at home!" The 30 little prize-winners were later the guests of Miss Liu Men Hua, the 3-month old daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Liu Chi Wen, at a party in the gardens of the Municipal Buildings.



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DIAL TELEPHONE VINDICATED.

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CITY TEST O.K.

Metropolitan telephone exchange, London, which was tested as an automatic exchange for the first time last month, has vindicated the dial system.

The last wire was insulated, the last workman put on his jacket, and 2,200 subscribers from the old manual exchanges of Metropolitan, City, Central, Clerkenwell, and London Wall, were on the automatic telephone the Sunday, but the offices were all shut by then and the great test could not be made till next day.

Officials waited anxiously for reports to arrive. Were the first calls on the fine new telephones to be merely a repetition of the grumbles of Sloane exchange?

Three thousand three hundred first fingers tentatively touched the dials—and the reports came in. "O.K.," "Excellent," "Working magnificently," were the words which reached the waiting engineers.

"Of course the system is excellent," said a telephone chief happily; "all the trouble is caused by the man behind the number. The Metropolitan subscriber, nearly always a business man, quick to appreciate and understand the new system, does not make mistakes, he knows the number he wants and he gets it."

"What about the Sloane subscriber?" the official was asked.

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JANET GAYNOR IN LOVE WITH HONOLULU.

TO RENEW HONEYMOON THERE!

[United Press.]

Honolulu.—Janet Gaynor, the film star, was so enamoured with the land of her honeymoon, Hawaii, that she has purchased a beach home here.

She said that she and her husband, Mr. Lydell Peck, a San Francisco attorney, will renew their honeymoon here every year if her film work will permit.

The house is on windward Oahu, the island on which Honolulu is situated.

Leisured "Sloane."

"Well, the Sloane caller belongs largely to the leisured class. He is in no hurry. Most of his calls," said the telephone chief, "are more social than important. Let us say he is a trifle careless."

The experts are convinced that the striking success of Metropolitan exchange is the due to the acumen and common sense of the Metropolitan subscriber, and that the sorrows of Sloane are caused by dilettante dialling.

A series of Metropolitan subscribers were called up. Every call was put through immediately, and there was not the slightest difficulty in obtaining the numbers.

"How is the system going?" one Metropolitan subscriber was asked.

The reply was brisk and businesslike: "Fine. I rang up five people this morning. Got the lot. Good-day."

"Thirty-five numbers without a hitch within an hour," was the record of a business house on the new exchange.

"GOLD MADE FROM LEAD" IN A GAOL.

TEST WITNESSED BY MINT OFFICIALS.

An extraordinary statement was made recently by Count de Pestalozza, a famous barrister, who is defending Franz Tausend, a chemist, who is on trial at Munich on a charge of having obtained large sums of money from a number of persons, including General Ludendorff and the ex-Kaiser, by pretending that he had invented a process of turning lead into gold.

The statement is as follows: "Gold out of lead! The dream of the ages has been realised at last. Man has vanquished nature."

He also announced that he has applied for the instant release of Tausend, who has been in a Munich prison for nine months awaiting trial. He gives the following highly dramatic grounds for his application.

"On October 3, 1929," he said, "Franz Tausend, in the presence of the examining judge, as well as the public prosecutor and two high officials of the Munich mint, succeeded in making gold from lead by means of his special process.

"His clothes and person were closely searched by the officials. The officials declared on oath that the gold was produced in so large a quantity that it is utterly impossible that it could have been contained beforehand in the lead from which it had originated.

"The count emphatically denied the possibility of deceit on the part of Tausend, who submitted to the most searching scrutiny by all the witnesses present at the test.

HUMOUR: ANCIENT AND MODERN.

Shipwrecked Watcher: "Believe me, I'm going to take it easy today—I'll look only two miles instead of ten."

Inspector: "Got away, has he? Did you guard all the entrances?"
Country Constable: "Yes, but we think he must have left by one of the exits."

"Did you read recently of how a golfer got 328 holes out of a single golf ball?"
"Yes. I only get 36 holes out of the same brand of ball."
"Well, considering your game, it is a much stronger testimonial!"

"You don't make very good music with that instrument," said a by-stander to the man with the bass drum, as the band ceased to play.
"No," admitted the pounder, "I don't. But I drown a heap of bad music."

Little Nelly had just had her first dip.
"How do you like it, dearie?" asked her mother.
Nelly glared at the sparkling sea.
"I don't like it at all, mother," she replied, coldly. "I sat on a wave and went through."

Two small girls were playing together one afternoon in the park.
"I wonder what time it is?" said one of them at last.
"Well, it can't be four o'clock yet," replied the other with magnificent logic, "because my mother said I was to be home at four—and I'm not."

He had come home hungry after a hard day's work, and was determined to enjoy the evening meal. His wife sat opposite.
"George, I wish you would eat your peas with your fork."
"Good gracious, Maggie, you'll be wantin' me to 'ave me dinner with me collar on next!"

Customer: "I want to see the cheapest dress you have."
Clerk: "Something a little better than what you're wearing?"

A young journalist was asked why he attended church so regularly.
"Well, to tell you the truth," he answered, "it's the one place where my contributions are invariably accepted."

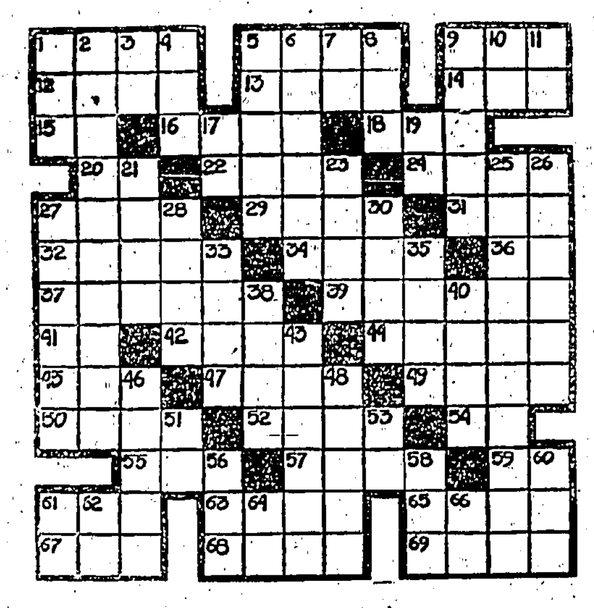
An attorney recently received an amusing, if cynical, letter from an educated Indian client, who desired him to collect a debt.
After two pages of meticulously correct English, the letter concluded: "If you cannot collect the debt by fair means, try legal proceedings."

Two sentries were marching up and down their separate beats. For some time the old lady watched them in silence. But at last she could keep silent no longer and grabbed one of the men by the arm.
"Can't you two silly lads make it up and be friends?" she asked reproachfully.

They were settling a number of preliminary details, as young people will before they take the decisive step.
"Do you believe in allowances for married women?" she asked.
"Sure," he replied. 'I think a husband should make allowances for a lot of things."

"How about a cabin for Paris?"
"Give you an inside on the Rocket, hopping off in three hours."
"Don't want to wait that long. Isn't there a plane leaving in 10 minutes?"
"Yes, but no cabins left. How about a wing cabin on the Lindy, leaving in 50 minutes?"
"Nope; too noisy on the wings; you hear all the freight ships you pass by. I want an inside—oh, well, gimme the Rocket. I'll have to wait, I guess, but I did wanna eat breakfast in Paris."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal.

1.—Norse god.
5.—Duration.
9.—To weep.
12.—Doer of great deeds.
13.—Again.
14.—Shelter.
15.—Comparative suffix.
16.—Flying creature.
18.—Greek letter.
20.—Plural ending.
22.—To agitate.
24.—Pale.
27.—British Arabian sea port.
29.—To appear.
31.—To observe.
32.—Ate.
34.—Bishopries.
36.—Father.
37.—Water mammals.
39.—Coquettes.
41.—Symbol for radium.
42.—Toy.
44.—To entertain.
45.—To go wrong.
47.—Rhymster.
49.—Sinks in middle.
50.—Changes colour.
52.—To lose shape.
54.—To act.
55.—Soft drink.
57.—Shortly.
59.—Negative.
61.—Extent of life.
63.—To air.
65.—Persian poet.
67.—Conjunction.
68.—Anarchists.
69.—Valley.

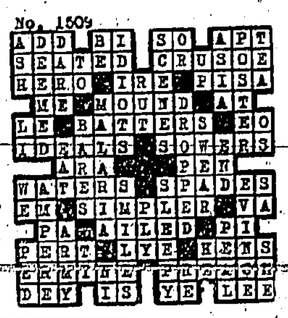
Vertical.

1.—Article.
2.—Derived from ancestor.
3.—Conjunction.
4.—Pilfer.
5.—Small pies.
6.—Group of islands.
7.—Pronoun.
8.—Mother sheep.
9.—Grade.
10.—Musical note.
11.—Old pronoun.
17.—Exists.
19.—Symbol for tantalum.
21.—Transmitted.
23.—To shorten as a sail.
25.—Seven-sided.
26.—Bread making substance (pl.).
27.—Loved greatly.
28.—To want.
30.—To thaw.
33.—To let fall.
35.—Address to gentlemen.
38.—Lacking speed.
40.—To peruse.
43.—Rented.
46.—To relate.
48.—Jogs.
51.—Thus.
53.—European river.
56.—Equal.
58.—To incline the head.
60.—Mineral.
61.—Article.
62.—To leave.
64.—To exist.
66.—Mother.

This puzzle took 22 minutes to solve. See how long it will take you to solve it.

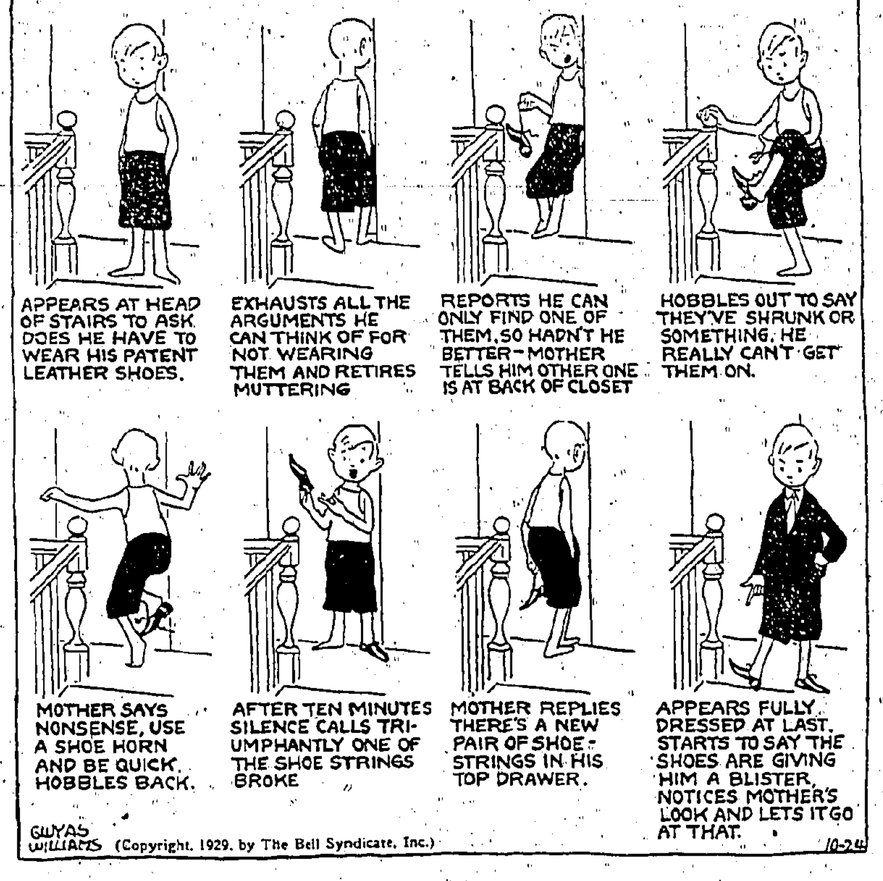
YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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THE WORLD AT ITS WORST—PATENT LEATHER SHOES

By CLUYAS WILLIAMS



SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

LONG DISTANCE TITLE.

The long distance swimming championship of the A.S.A. was won, by E. P. Peter (Croydon S.C.), the 1922 champion, who covered the 5 mile 60 yards between Kew and Putney in 1hr. 5 mins. 2 3-5secs. He beat E. W. Pascoe (Plaistow United S.C.) by 2mins. 15 2-5secs., with C. W. Bosher (City Police S.C.), another 1min. 58secs. away, in third place.

J. G. Hatfield (Middlesbrough), the holder and six times winner, did not compete, as he arrived back from the British swimmers' Continental tour only on Friday night. There were twenty-six starters, and all finished, nineteen gaining standard certificates for finishing within ten minutes of the winner.

Peter took the lead from the start, followed by E. W. Pascoe (Plaistow United), and these maintained those positions throughout. Peter led by 25secs. at the Ship, and C. W. Bosher (City Police S.C.) was third another 25secs. behind. Barnes Bridge was passed in 22mins. 2secs., but Bosher began to lose some of his ground afterwards. He maintained third place from C. W. Halse (Exeter), however), and at Chiswick Steps Peter led by 55secs. Peter was 2mins 14secs. ahead of Pascoe at Hammersmith Bridge, and was never in danger of being caught

EXTRAORDINARY RIDE.

A cyclist, J. Rossiter, completed a wonderful end-to-end ride on a recent Saturday night. He started from Land's End at eight a.m. on Thursday to cycle to John o' Groats under official observation.

The ride was completed at 9.22 p.m. on Saturday, the total distance of 863 miles being covered in 61 hours 22 minutes. This broke the previous record by 6 hours 28 minutes.

His total time included all stops for food, rest, etc., making his average speed for the whole run over fourteen miles per hour.

CLUB EVENTS.

Placings in the final of the Serpentine S.C. 55 yards handicap (Lord Howard de Walden's Trophies) were: S. Levy 1, F. P. O. Bridgman 2, and A. Ripper 3. Won by a foot.

St. James' Swimming Club.—30 yards (juniors) pairs handicap.—Heat winners were: Ward and Stancombe (30), Fowkes and Bateman (30), Connor and Yaxley (15), Hoare and Baker (16). Results in the Surrey senior water polo championship were: St. James' 7, Southwark 0, St. James' 2, Avondale 2. Surrey junior water polo championship results: St. James' II. 4, Wandsworth II. 3, St. James' II. 2, Avondale II. 6.

RING BOUTS.

In one of the four fifteen-round contests at Premierland, Kid Pattenden suffered another reverse, the ex-bantam champion failing to hold his own against a keen rival in Len ("Tiger") Smith, the Birmingham boxer. The latter forced the fight practically throughout and, never allowing his clever opponent to settle down, was a good winner.

Johnny Mann, the St. George's light-weight, beat Harry Brooks, of St. George's. He took matters quietly, and was content to win comfortably on points.

Jimmy Thornton, of Bethnal Green, soon beat Jacky Brown, of St. George's, for after being down three times in the second round, Brown was knocked out.

Alf Simimons, of Halkney, defeated Fred Green, of Blackfriars, on points.

DAN JONES SAYS "NO."

Dan Jones, the Neath and Welsh international wing, has turned down three offers in two days to become a professional Rugby League player. He holds the world's record as a try-getter, and has been approached frequently by Rugby League clubs since the beginning of the season.

Jones is a splendid wing, and his decision to remain loyal to the Neath club is welcomed.

THE WOMAN'S CORNER.

READING AND HEALTH.

By A PHYSICIAN.

Psychologists agree that the health may be affected one way or another by our reading.

There is a positive danger in reading books of the morbid type, especially to people of the nervous temperament, who are highly imaginative and live over the vicissitudes of their favourite characters.

A few years ago, not in any professional capacity, I visited the home of some friends.

We sat round the fire and chatted. A good joke was told, and we all laughed heartily. After the general laughter had ceased, the elder daughter of the family, a girl of sixteen, still continued to titter in a seemingly uncontrolled way.

Cause and Cure.

Realising what was wrong, I ran for a glass of water and dashed it in her face. Still the spasmodic laughter arose from her throat, and, fetching another, I gave her a second cold douche. The laughter subsided, and I caught her as she swayed with faintness.

This was a simple case of hysteria: and because of my personal knowledge of the girl's habits I was able to come to a swift conclusion with regard to the causes of the trouble.

One of the main contributory causes was the nature of her reading. She was by disposition nervous and emtional: her age, sixteen, indicated that she was passing through a period when the energies of the nervous system are taxed to a great extent. In addi-

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tion to this she was keeping herself in a high pitch of emotional excitement by reading exceedingly light love stories—in her interest and imagination living through the trials and temptations of her heroines and sharing in their ultimate happiness.

Treatment.

A change of reading and more time spent outdoors (long walks with flatheeled shoes) was all the treatment that was required; and there has been no recurrence of the trouble.

Girls between the ages of fifteen and twenty-one should vary their reading. Parents can assist here. Let the light matter be interspersed with the solid and more serious matter of the classics.

In this way the mind is not only saved from becoming too emotional, but new vistas of sober and practical thought are opened up.

DO YOU KNOW?

When carpets have been put away for a little time, it is no unusual thing to find that moths have attacked them, in spite of all our care.

To kill the moth grubs thoroughly wet a piece of thin material and place it over the part that has been attacked. Then iron over the cloth with a hot iron until the material is dry. The boiling steam will saturate the carpet and kill all the moth grubs or eggs.

Then darn the parts that have been eaten away with wools to match the carpet. If this is carefully done it will be difficult to tell that the carpet has been attacked by moths.

YOUR HOME AND MINE.

APPLE SWEETS.

Apple fool is as delicious to eat as it is delightful to look upon, and is very little trouble to make.

Cook sufficient apples with a few geranium leaves added for flavouring with the sugar in the saucepan. The leaves should be removed when the apples begin to froth, for then they will have imparted just enough of their fragrance to the fruit.

With Whipped Cream.

When sufficiently cooked turn the apples into a basin, and, after adding cream with a generous hand, stir in a suspicion of gelatine to mould and set the mixture when it is cold. Then pile in dainty glasses and serve with whipped cream crowns on top.

Apple flummery is a sweet to dream of. Again the apples should be cooked with sugar to a froth and turned into a basin.

A little lemon juice and a wineglassful of cherry brandy should be stirred in and the mixture beaten with an egg whisk until it resembles a heap of pink-flushed foam. A glass dish lined with sponge fingers should be ready and the basinful tipped into it.

Mock apple dumplings also make a very attractive sweet. Good cooking apples should be used which will turn into a saucepanful of foam after a few minutes cooking.

THE FOOD PROBLEM OF CHINA.

CENTRAL POLITICAL COUNCIL TO TAKE ACTION.

Nanking.—The food problem of China was the chief issue discussed at the meeting last week of the Central Political Council of the Kuomintang. In view of the famine condition in a number of provinces in this country and the terrible suffering of the masses, it is the plan of the Government leaders to take the matter in hand and to bring about an early solution of the food problem of the country.

General Tan Yen Kai, chairman of the Administrative Yuan of the National Government, stated that while the Government wanted to devise some measures for the immediate relief of famine refugees, a food committee ought to be organized by the National Government for a fundamental solution of the food problems of China. This committee is to make a complete study of the problem and to report to the Government its findings in regard to food distribution, production, and prices, and basing on this committee's report, a permanent food policy may be adopted by the Government.

Some Suggested Reforms.

Among the proposals suggested by General Tan are:—

(1) The embargo on food exportation from certain sections of the country to others is to be abrogated.

(2) Transportation dues on food are to be reduced.

(3) All food surtaxes are to be abolished.

(4) Secret exportation of foodstuffs to foreign countries is to be prohibited.

(5) All improper consumption or waste of foodstuffs is to be prohibited.

Th proposed food committee will be under the direct control of the Central Political Council, which is the highest political organ of the National Government. There will be from 9 to 13 members in this committee, the Chairman of the Administrative Yuan being *de facto* chairman of the committee, and the Ministers of the Interior, Finance, Communications, Railways, Agriculture and Mines, and Industry and Commerce being *de facto* members. A number of agricultural and economic experts will be invited to become members of a technical commission.

Committee Scheme Adopted.

The proposed oganization of the Food Committee was passed by the Central Political Council and the proposals in regard to the immediate food problems were referred to the National Government for examination.

It was also decided to appoint Mr. Tai Chi Tao, chairman of the Examination Yuan, a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Central Political Council, and to appoint Mr. Tseng Yang-Fu, a member of the Economic Affairs Committee of the Central Political Council.—*Reuter.*

BY MAIL, WIRE, AND WIRELESS

Sofia.—Thirty people have lost their lives in the floods in the Radomir region.

Berlin.—Eight cases of typhoid fever, one of them fatal, have occurred in Berlin.

Weisseiburg.—Eight further cases of typhoid are officially reported from Weissenburg, in Franconia.

Gresweiler.—In an explosion in an oxygen factory at Gersweiler, near Saarbrucken, six workmen were killed.

Teheran.—Negotiations are proceeding at Teheran for a permanent treaty between Norway and Persia, the present temporary treaty having expired.

Rome.—An Air Agreement between Spain and Italy has been ratified by the Spanish Prime Minister and the Italian Ambassador to Spain.

Copenhagen.—Prince Valdemar and Prince Axel attended the opening of the 18th meeting of the Scandinavian Naturalists' Association in Copenhagen.

Constantinople.—Vessels arriving in Turkey from Philippeville, Algeria, will be required to undergo medical examination, three cases of plague having occurred in that city.

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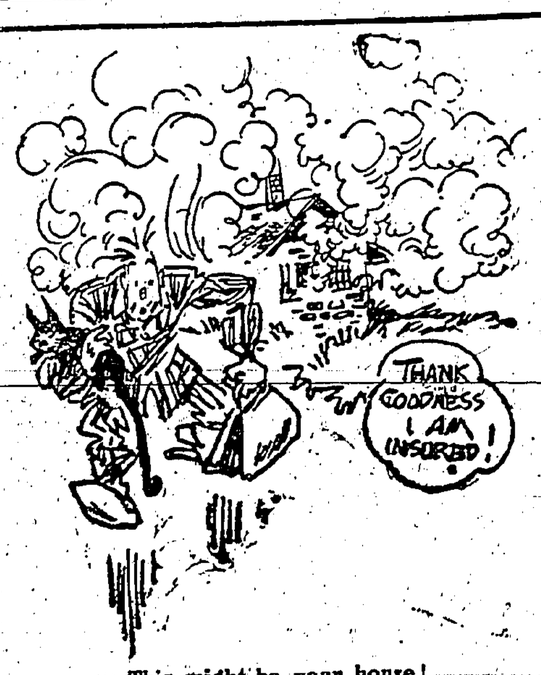
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MR. INSTONE BREWER IN SHANGHAI.

STORY OF HIS ARREST AND DETENTION.

EXPLAINS HIS CAREER IN HONG KONG TO LOCAL PRESS.

WHY HE LEFT THE COLONY.

Shanghai, Nov. 15.—In H.M. Police Court yesterday before the Registrar, Mr. I. T. Morris, Noel Instone Brewer appeared on a charge that he had committed a "breach of the Perjury Ordinance . . . in that he filed a document false in a material particular" and also "breach of the Larceny Ordinance . . . in that he filed a balance sheet false in a material particular with intent to deceive. . . ."

Mr. R. Winter, assistant police prosecutor, appeared on behalf of the S.M.P. He told his Worship that a detective with another warrant was on his way from Hong Kong and is expected within a day or so.

Evidence of arrest was given by Det.-Inspector H. Robertson who deposed that he arrested the accused at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday.

The accused made an application for release on the grounds that there was no evidence against him and no complainant present. He also pointed out that he had returned from Japan of his own volition to answer the charges and had remained within the jurisdiction of the authorities. Accordingly, he pointed out that there was no intention to avoid the proceedings and asked for bail.

On the question of bail, the Registrar said that accused would have to provide heavy personal security and also obtain two sureties. Accused replied that personal security was out of the question. He had no means to satisfy such a ruling. Mr. Morris then adjourned the case for one week or until the warrant from Hong Kong arrived. Accused would be confined to Amoy Road gaol during such period.

Interviewed by "North-China Daily News."

On the morning before his arrest, Mr. Brewer was interviewed by a representative of the *North-China Daily News*.

Mr. Brewer said that he was well aware that a warrant for his arrest had been issued and it was his desire to return to Hong Kong to answer the charges. In this connection he pointed out that he had visited H.M. Consulate-General in Shanghai on Tuesday and asked that arrangements be made for his transportation to Hong Kong so that he might be enabled to defend the charges levelled against him. Apparently no such arrangements were practicable, and he was advised accordingly.

Earlier Career.

Mr. Brewer set down that he was for four years in the Hong Kong office of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. Later he was in charge of Messrs. Brewer & Co. (his father's firm), and then left for England there to remain for three years during which time he was called to the Bar. He was, according to his statement, in active practice in Hong Kong for two-and-a-half years and then left for America where he lived for one year. Returning to Hong Kong, after marrying in America, he served for more than two years with the Instone Banking Corporation, Ltd., of which corporation he was the founder. He added:

"I early observed a trait in my character which I consider to be a hatred of injustice (though infrequently persons call it unwarranted intermeddling or worse) which impels me strenuously to uphold the weaker or 'put upon' side. To a layman this is apt to be a handicap, but in a lawyer it is likely to be appreciated by his clients. But while the clients duly rallied and provided me with a large practice in a remarkaby short time, yet it was necessary to tread on several tender toes on their behalf.

"Brewer's Ordinance."

"When I commenced practice in Hong Kong the law as to barristers and solicitors was somewhat akin to that now ruling in Shanghai. A barrister was entitled to interview his client direct without being 'briefed' by a solicitor and could appear for him in all criminal or summary matters without any solicitor. Now the law is changed in Hong Kong. A client may now only engage a barrister by briefing him through a solicitor with resultant double expense. The Ordinance effecting this step was passed toward the end of 1925 during my visit to the United States. The motivation was so openly expressed that it is even now referred to as the Ordinance for the Suppression of Brewer."

Instone Banking Corporation.

"This corporation was formed in February 1927. It was intended as a Trustee Bank on the American plan. 'Instone' is a family name on my mother's side and the bank was dowered with it because I believed, it would become an institution to be proud of. Incidentally it was the name which largely contained me to remain in the saddle long after my obligations to the founders had been discharged. It was never intended that I should act in a managerial capacity other than during the early organization. But when it came to appointing a manager, the directors (Chinese) appeared unwilling to trust anybody for the post and begged me to carry on in the assurance that a manager would be forthcoming ultimately.

The Bank's Operation.

"It is admitted, even by my enemies, that I am impervious to 'squeeze.' During the two years odd, which I had charge of the bank's affairs there were no illicit profits made by anyone, no swollen salaries, and no secret benefits.

It was the realization of this that impelled the shareholders, when forced by the necessity for voluntary liquidation, to join together in drawing up a petition that I act as liquidator 'being the only person in whom they had implicit trust.'

"But it is admitted that I misappropriated nothing; whence come these charges? The query is so relevant that I must digress to answer forthwith.

"The charges on the warrant are not perjury and larceny (even malice would not risk such charges in view of my known reputation for financial fastidiousness). The warrant states 'breach of the Perjury Ordinance . . . in that he filed a document false in a material particular' and also 'breach of the Larceny Ordinance . . . in that he filed a Balance Sheet false in a material particular with intent to deceive.'

The Balance Sheet.

"This balance sheet, for both the charges refer to the same document, deserves a word of explanation. Under Hong Kong law, balance sheets must be audited and the auditor must be one whose name is on the Government list of qualified auditors. I accept liability for the entire running of the Instone Banking Corporation in Hong Kong.

Mr. Brewer went on to say that where the work was done by other employees, he exercised an effective surveillance but the balance sheet he did entrust to other people. That balance sheet was approved by a shareholders' meeting and he filed it without protest.

Liquidation and After.

"As liquidator to the voluntary liquidation, I succeeded in interesting outside financiers in the bank and entered into an agreement with them whereby they should take over and re-open the I.B.C., Ltd., paying all creditors in full and granting the old shareholders certain assets which would have produced them 75 cents in the dollar on their share capital. This agreement was duly executed and advertised in all the papers. There was one dissentient, a Mrs. Jen See Them. Her husband (recently deceased) had been a director and holder of $250,000 shares on which he had paid only a small percentage at the time of his death. The 25 cents in the dollar loss meant a further payment from his estate. Taking advantage of the fact that she was a (relatively small) creditor of the bank in her own right, she petitioned for a compulsory liquidation, which was granted. The order for compulsory liquidation automatically cancelled the agreement I had negotiated. The other parties would not recontract with the official receiver, who now declares he cannot even pay the creditors.

"I Left Hong Kong."

"The compulsory order for liquidation was made last June. From June to August I gave every assistance (unpaid) I could, explaining freely every detail of the concern. In August a public examination was held at which I gave information freely and unreserved. After the examination I took a month's holiday in Japan returning to Hong Kong on September 31. On my return I forthwith saw the Attorney-General and Official Receiver and inquired whether I was wanted further and announced my intention of migrating to Vancouver at an early date. My proposal met with approval in all quarters. I was recommended to so-and-so and so-and-so of Vancouver and was given to understand that while for me to stay in Hong Kong and criticize would be most unwelcome, yet if I would only go away everyone would love me. I left on October 18.

"A week after I left Hong Kong, a warrant was issued for my arrest. In Japan, I received a telegram barely informative but sufficient to decide me not to proceed.

"I returned to Shanghai forthwith for information arriving on Sunday. I applied to H.M. Consul for a passage to Hong Kong by earliest opportunity, pleading that my 'alleged larceny' having left me comparatively impoverished, the Hong Kong Government ought to bear the expense of transportation in that extent. I was refused. My immediate movements are therefore indefinite but I shall arrive in Hong Kong in due course."

ROUND THE COURTS.

AT CENTRAL MAGISTRACY.

CRIMINAL INSTINCT.

Fifteen minutes after he had been released from prison, where he had spent three weeks for a small larceny, a Chinese was again at his old tricks. He attempted to steal two packets of cigarettes from a hawker, but fell into the hands of the Police.

Asked why he took to stealing again, he replied to Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham that he wanted to cross the Harbour but had no money.

The trip across the Harbour will now be postponed for one month.

THEFTS FROM MARKETS.

That the Police have received complaints to the effect that a total of about $1,000 worth of vegetables has recently been pilfered from Central Market was revealed yesterday at Central Magistracy when a Chinese woman was charged with stealing vegetables.

It was stated by Inspector Murphy that when arrested, the woman had $17.82 in her possession.

Mr. Grantham: Were did you get that from?

The woman, between sobs, told the Magistrate said that it had been sent to her by friends from the country who wanted to buy goods from Hong Kong.

A fine of $4 was imposed.

A CONUNDRUM!

What is the name of the path which runs through Happy Valley from the Monument to Wong Nei Chong Road?

An Indian constable insisted that it was called Sing Wo Street. Inspector MacDonald of the Wanchai District said that Sing Wo Street runs behind the Dragon Garage in Wong Nei Chong.

A Chinese hawker was charged with hawking in Sing Wo Street. Inspector MacDonald stated that the road was not a busy thoroughfare and the man was cautioned.

Another man was charged with a similar offence. The Magistrate this time asked the Indian constable in the case where he thought Sing Wo Street was located and was again told it ran between she Monument and Wong Nei Chong Road.

As a previous man had been discharged with a caution for hawking in "Sing Wo" Street, the second man was also cautioned. Later a third man was hawking in "Sing Wo" Street and he also escaped without any monetary loss.

SNATCHER "BEATEN."

When charged with attempting to steal a handbag from Mrs. Xavier, wife of Mr. Xavier of the Gas Co., at Wong Nei Chong Road, Happy Valley, a Chinese pleaded guilty. Sentence was postponed.

Inspector MacDonald stated that as the defendant made to grab the handbag, he was beaten off by Mrs. Xavier with an umbrella. He was arrested by a resident who came to Mrs. Xavier's assistance.

AT KOWLOON MAGISTRACY.

A POLICEMAN'S VOICE IS NOT A RAUCOUS ONE.

At Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning the interesting discovery was made that a policeman's voice is not a raucous one—as compared to that of a hawker. A hawker was summoned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith for having ignored a warning from a Chinese detective to refrain from shouting when in a prohibited area. At the Magistrate's request the detective gave an oral demonstration of the hawkers crime, crying "Buy preserved turnips." His Worship remarked that the cry made by the constable would not disturb any one, but Police Sergeant P. Barnicle pointed out that the detective "hasn't got a hawker's voice, he's got a policeman's voice!". A fine of $2 was imposed.

BLASTING AT TAI KOK TSUI.

A Chinese stone breaker, who said he was a new comer to the Colony, pleaded guilty to charges of unlawful possession of 2.15 taels blasting powder and of blasting stones on crown land at Tai Kok Tsui without a permit. He was not engaged by any contractor.

The Magistrate remarked that the offence was a serious one, and said that he would not have people blasting without permits.

DAMAGE TO PINE PLANTATION.

Mr. G. B. Twemlow prosecuted ten Hakka women on charges of trespassing on a government pine plantation on the Taipo Road. In certain places he said the plantation had been absolutely denuded of cones and nearly all the smaller trees had had their branches hacked. The defendants were among a crowd of some 40 women who were collecting cones and small branches early on Sunday morning.

The defendants were each fined $3.

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DEFORESTATION AND HONG KONG'S WATER SHORTAGE.

INTERESTING SHANGHAI LECTURE.

SWEET WATER DISTRIBUTION AND HUMAN MIGRATIONS.

The causes of the drought in the north and the water shortage in Hong Kong was the subject of a very able lecture delivered in Shanghai before the members of the Royal Asiatic Society and their friends by Dr. A. L. Englaender.

The speaker mentioned that, if someone were to place himself at a sufficient height above the earth and take a cinematograph film, a very strange sight would meet the eye. Whole continents, mountains and seas and great plains and hills would be seen to change their forms like clay in a potter's hands. He went on to describe the south Asian islands, the Philippines, Japan and Borneo and suggested that they had been separated from the Asian continent during the present geological period.

The distribution of sweet water all over the continent showed immense variations, between the uttermost extremes.

How Country is Denuded.

The silk and porcelain industry, said the speaker, the enormous Chinese river shipbuilding, even Chinese sepulchral rites, could develop only in land covered with extensive forests, of which there are at present no traces. The destruction of vegetation by man stopped not with the cutting of forests, for shrubs and underwoods were torn up and used. Everywhere in China, peasants were to be seen going up denuded mountain slopes to dig out the last shrubs and roots.

Continuing, the speaker said the two principal characters of the desert were dryness of the ground and the disappearance of relief. By comparison of the degree of these, a relative estimation of the desert was obtained. The Andrews' expedition to the Gobi desert found water five or six yards down. Artesian wells in the Sahara had to be dug 300 yds. before water was found. In the Gobi, the walls of buildings still stand, even some wooden rafters, but the last traces of what had been great towns and monuments of civilization had long disappeared. Humanity had long forgotten the names of the peoples and the empires who flourised tens of thousands of years ago.

We totally forget the history of humanity itself, said Dr. Englaender. So we have forgotten how, through thousands of years, our remote ancestors lived in the present desert countries. Nebulous, half mythical traditions tell of the migrations of people diverging like the rays of a star from central Asia. It was from central Asia that Europeans migrated to the west, the Indians to the south, the Chinese and kindred races to the east. All these migrations have been escapes from desert lands to new, well-watered and well afforestated lands. Even now, millions leave Shantung and Chihli and migrate to the still well forested Manchuria. The ancestors of these same Chinese migrated from the Gobi to Shantung and now some 1000 years of culture have transformed these flowery lands into deserts and semi-deserts. The peasant, the tiller of toil, dies out or migrates, the nomade ekes out a miserable existence from the old lands which first become a steppe and after some centuries a desert. Not only in China is this happening but on the edge of every desert.

Hong Kong's Difficulties.

The forests and the trees and the bushes are cut as they have been through many thousands of years and even now they are cut more extensively and more rapidly. If there is not an extensive reafforestation, north China will be doomed, said the lecturer.

Dr. Englaender then turned to the water shortage in Hong Kong and said that the island itself contained sufficent vegetation but the neighbouring islands and even the mainland around Kowloon were sadly devastated. The climate of a small area is strongly influenced by the surrounding country. If all the surrounding hills were not reafforested, Hong Kong, said the speaker, would soon be like Aden. That town had already practically no more water of its own, and its water supply was by tank ships, from the Perim Islands.

It would be an experiment of the greatest importance, said the speaker in conclusion, not only for the Colony itself, but for humanity as a whole, if extensive afforestation could be carried out around Hong Kong.

A YOUNG KIDNAPPER.

A Chinese lad, of 16, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the birch on a charge of kidnapping a small boy from Woosung Street.

It was stated that the boy took the child to an address in Reclamation Street where he hid the child before he took him to the Sunning District. The child was recovered, with the assistance of the Chinese authorities, and restored to his parents.

A man was also charged with harbouring the child at the house in Reclamation Street. He was convicted and sentenced to twelve months' hard labour and 24 strokes of the birch. A widow was also charged with receiving, but this charged was subsequently withdrawn.

CAN THE IRONSIDES BE STOPPED?

CANTON TROOPS DIGGING IN.

STRONG NORTH RIVER DEFENCES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, November 18.

According to news from reliable sources a large portion of Chang Fat Fui's army has entered the North-west corner of Kwangtung, and has captured several towns, including Tsat Kung Hui. Kwangtung troops defending those places have been driven back towards Yangshan on the Little North River.

"IRONSIDES'" BANDIT ALLIES.

The "Ironsides" have been joined by hordes of bandits under Mok Hung, an ex-army officer, and these irregulars are co-operating in the attack on Yangshan. Mok's rabble has been terrorising this part of Kwangtung, and acting more or less under the orders of Chang Fat Fui. The "Ironside" force attacking Yangshan is about 10,000 strong and Chang is himself in command. The remainder of the army, numbering 20,000, and under Li Han Wan, is marching towards Hopsien, Kwong Ning and Wai Tsap, to the south of Chang's force, which has Yingtak and Tsing Yuen as its objectives. The two columns aim at converging upon Tsing Yuen on the North River, and from there a direct attack upon Canton will follow, either down the railway or the North River. The latter route is expected and Admiral Chen Chak's Flotilla is standing by to guard Samshui where North and West Rivers meet.

THREE LINES OF DEFENCE.

Meanwhile Chen Tsai Tong is transferring every available man from Kwangsi to the North River and an elaborate system of trenches is being dug at Yingtak and other strategic points.

The first line of defence will be at Yangshan, but it is expected that no very serious defence will be made there. The second line is at Yingtak and the third at Tsing Yuen—the latter places being on the North River and there the decisive struggle will take place.

KWANGSI "ALLIES"!

The report that Wong Kuen, the Kwangsi General recently bought by the Kwangtung Government, had turned over the "Ironsides" has been confirmed. Strict martial law has been proclaimed in Wuchow, but the Kwangsi situation is obscure. Military headquarters at Canton declare that General Lui Woon Im, the most powerful man in Kwangsi for the moment, is in Kweiping and on the way to Liuchow. He and Yang Teng Fai are "preparing to pursue and attack the 'Ironsides'."

On the other hand the rumour current in Canton is that Lui Woon Im has declared strict neutrality in the present struggle, and that he has come to an agreement with Chang Fat Fui that Kwangsi shall keep out of the war. "If that is so Chen Tsai Tong is lost," say the pessimists.

Canton is very nervous, the Central Bank of China notes are down to 60 and further depreciation is likely unless the "Ironsides" are defeated. But Canton is getting resigned to the idea of "a complete change of Government in the near future."

AN OPTIMISTIC VIEW.

GENERAL LI YANG KING ON THE SITUATION.

In an interview with Pressmen published in the vernacular papers, General Li Yang King, Commander of the 63rd Division, is reported to have made the following statement with regard to military movements:—

The rebels are still in Koonyang and Hingon on the eastern border of Kwangsi. It is not known in which direction they will move but certainly they will not at present abandon their invasion of the two Kwangs. The division under General Yu Hon Mow is now in the Little North River district, while the troops under Tsai Ting Kai are quartered at Sunchow, Mongkang and Yunghui in Kwangsi. The 63rd division is at Wuchow. With regard to the Kwangsi troops, those under the command of Lui Woon Im have been sent to Kweilin to attack the rebels, while the main body is at Nanning. Yang Teng Fai's troops are at Liuchow and Kweilin.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

STATE PURCHASE SCHEME.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Nov. 18.

The Canton Government is to-day in receipt of a dispatch from Nanking stating that the Central Government has formally approved of the scheme proposed by Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Communications, for the nationalization of the southern branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway. A loan of $10,000,000 will be floated to buy the permanent way from the private shareholders. The terms governing the loan, as drawn up by Mr. Sun Fo and approved by the Legislative Yuen, are as follows:—

1. The Loan shall be called "the Loan of the Ministry of Communications for the buying of the Kwangtung portion of the Canton-Hankow Railway."

2. The Loan will be $10,000,000 national currency.

3. The money thus raised shall be solely devoted to the redemption of private investment on the southern branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The Government investments in the enterprise shall remain as before. The original cost of the private shares was $5 Canton currency each, they will be exchanged by the Government for bonds to the value of $4 national currency.

4. This Loan will be floated on January 1, 1930.

5. The interest on the Loan shall be 2 per cent. per annum, payable semi annually, on June 30 and on December 31.

6. These bonds will be redeemed by the profits from the Railway enterprise. All the net profits realized shall be deposited in the Central Bank of China in Canton where they will be reserved for the purpose.

7. During the first 5 years no bonds will be redeemable.

8. A committee consisting of 1 representative from the Canton Chamber of Commerce, 1 from the Ministry of Communications, and 1 from the private shareholders, will be formed to look after the Foundation Funds and supervise the payment of interest on, and redeeming of the bonds.

9. The bonds will be issued in denominations of $100, $10 and $4.

10. These bonds may be bought and sold in the market.

11. Bond forgers will be punished according to law.

The private shareholders both in Canton and Hong Kong are holding a meeting to discuss these terms in the near future, but no dates have been fixed and it is not known what line will be taken by the shareholders.

Mr. Sun Fo has instructed the General Office of the Railway to send him a list of the private shareholders, together with such other information as may appear necessary. This list is to be submitted to Nanking within the week.

KWEILIN IN THE HANDS OF THE "IRONSIDES."

BURNING AND LOOTING ALLEGED.

A vernacular paper has published the following letter from a correspondent in Kweilin:—

The "Ironsides" captured Kweilin on the 1st of this month, when the Kwangsi troops under Yang Teng Fai retreated. They numbered several thousands and are commanded by Chang Fat Fui himself. All of them are poorly clothed and they have a great variety of rifles. They complained to the town's people that they had had no pay for four or five months, and made this an excuse for looting. The day following the occupation of Kweilin the shopkeepers closed their doors and many of them fled with so much of their wealth as was portable. The soldiery, enraged to find the shops from which they had hoped to help themselves barred against them, set fire to two whole streets, causing the destruction of over two hundred shops and houses. On the evening of the same day a counter-attack by Yang Teng Fai's troops caused the "Ironsides" to evacuate Kweilin. They did not omit, however, to "spoil the Egyptians" before departing and the town was left in a nearly destitute condition as a consequence of their two day occupation of it. As a final outrage they demanded a "ransome" of $150,000 from the Kweilin Chamber of Commerce, but had to content themselves with forty or fifty thousand dollars only.

PROMOTION FOR MR. TREDWELL.

SUPERVISING POST IN AUSTRALIA.

A POPULAR CONSUL.

We learn, with mixed feelings, that Mr. Roger C. Tredwell, the American Consul-General in Hong Kong, is shortly leaving the Colony. There will be general regret at his departure but, on the other hand, his many friends find a ray of sunshine in the fact that Mr. Tredwell's marked ability and personal qualities have been recognised by his Government who are promoting him to the post of Supervising Consul-General for Australia.

Mr. Tredwell expects to leave for Melbourne just after the New Year. He was married during his last leave and since coming to the Colony, his wife has endeared herself to a large circle of friends, taking a prominent part at times in working with the American ladies in the Colony in many charitable causes.

An Extensive Experience.

Mr. Tredwell is no stranger to diplomatic service. He was first appointed to the American Foreign Service by the Department of State at Washington in 1908 and subsequently held Consular posts in London, Yokohama, Burslem, Dresden, Bristol, Amsterdam, Leghorn, Naples, Turin, Rome, Petrograd, Vologda, Moscow and Tashkent. Mr. Tredwell was also attached to the American Commission in connection with the peace negotiations in Paris in 1919. He was appointed Consul-General in Hong Kong in 1925.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he graduated at St. Paul's, Yale, and later attended the University of Grenoble, in France.

Mr. Tredwell's new post will be one of great responsibility for the Consulate-General at Melbourne has supervisory jurisdiction over six other Consulates and is the chief office of the American Government in Australia.

DOCTOR MARRIED.

MISS JANE WONG TO DR. LI TSOO YIU.

The wedding was celebrated yesterday in the Registrar's Office of Miss Jane Wong and Dr. Li Tsoo Yiu. The bride who is the daughter of the late Mr. Wong Yuk Ting, was a sister at the Government Civil Hospital, while Dr. Li is Assistant to the Professor of Medicine, Hong Kong University.

The bride looked very charming in her wedding gown of silver lace and carrying a shower bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern. The reception took the form of a Chinese dinner at the Kam Ling Restaurant at 8 p.m. A very large number of guests were present and the usual felicitous speeches made.

Dr. and Mrs. Li are spending their honeymoon in Canton, the bride left wearing a Chinese style silk dress.

IN AN OPIUM DIVAN.

BLACKMAILERS TRICKED BY KEEPER.

Two Chinese revenue seamen of the launch Kwong Lee were before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith for obtaining $1 from an opium divan keeper on the pretence of being policemen, and also for assuming the role of police constables for an unlawful purpose.

Prosecuting, Sub-Inspector James said that the two men went to the house at 94, Kremer Street, Tai Kok Tsui, on Saturday night representing themselves as police officers. They demanded $5 on the threat that they would arrest the tenant for keeping an opium divan. The tenant said that he had not $5 but offered a $1. By a very clever trick, he persuaded one of the men to write "Hong Kong" in English on the back of the note.

In the meantime, the tenant's *foki* went out into the street and called a plain-clothes constable who came and arrested the defendants.

The defendants denied that they demanded money, but said they had just come from a wedding feast where they had been drinking. They came to smoke opium. The defendant, on whom the "marked" $1 note was found, said that it had been planted on him!

The Magistrate convicted both defendants and imposed a fine of $50 or one month's imprisonment.

FIVE-YEAR TERMS FOR ROBBERS.

SHOP EMPLOYEE AMONG THE GANG

ONLY ONE CASE AT SESSIONS.

Jurors attending the Criminal sessions yesterday before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) were discharged without being called, as in the only case on the calendar the three prisoners pleaded guilty. They were charged with committing an armed robbery at 46, Koshing Street, on October 8, a further count of possession of arms—a dummy pistol and dagger—being withdrawn.

Mr. H. K. Holmes (Crown Solicitor) said that the premises entered by the gang were occupied by the Tung Tak import and export merchants. On the night of the robbery there was between $9,000 and $10,000 in the safe, and this fact was known to the employees, including the third prisoner, who was a *foki* in the shop. This man apparently opened the door leading to the lane at the back to admit his confederates.

The inmates were awakened at 4 a.m. by the robbers and locked in a room, the third prisoner among them. A dagger and dummy revolver (the latter being an electric torch made to look like a pistol by an extra length of met l barrel being fixed on the end) were used to frighten the occupants.

The first prisoner, continued Mr. Holmes, obtained the keys of the safe from the accountant and he was waiting at the top of the stairs for the others to come up to the other floor. Just then a policeman in the street hearing noises in the building flashed his torch in that direction. Meanwhile one of the *fokis* imprisoned in the room jumped from a height of 20 feet into a lane and gave the alarm. The policeman broke in the front shutters, and the robbers appeared to have made their escape by the back door.

Mr. Holmes added that the first and second prisoners were arrested a few days later, and the third was arrested at the shop. The dagger and dummy revolver were picked up on the premises, and the second prisoner took the police to a patch of undergrowth in Battery Street where the two keys, which were the only articles taken by the robbers, were found.

His Lordship sentenced each of the prisoners to five years' hard labour.

TWO VERSIONS IN MONEY LOAN CASE.

PUISNE JUDGE BELIEVES THE DEFENDANT.

A judgment debtor in three recent cases, a Chinese, who said he was once employed in the P.W.D. and now out of work, was sued on a fresh writ at the Summary Court yesterday by his old money-lender.

Sarjan Singh, the plaintiff, told the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) that he lent the defendant $25 and made out the promissory note for double the amount. He claimed the latter sum together with $2.50 interest and costs.

The defendant's story was that he received $20, though plaintiff deducted $2 as interest immediately on paying the money. Defendant was then made to sign for $50, which was more than double the amount he received. Plaintiff denied these allegations.

Asked by His Lordship why he signed for such a large sum, defendant said that he was hard pressed for money and did as plaintiff desired, but he did not anticipate any trouble would arise.

After considering the evidence, His Lordship said he believed the defendant's story that he received only $18. Judgment was given to the plaintiff for this amount and $2.40, interest and costs. Payment to be made into Court at the rate of $1 monthly, commencing in December, the plaintiff being given leave to apply for an increase in the amount of the instalments when defendant had reduced his other judgment debts.

CASE WITHDRAWN AGAINST BANK.

LEGAL POINT STILL UNSETTLED.

TRADE MARK ON DYES.

Recently, it will be recalled, the Ho Hong Bank were summoned before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham for having in their possession 150 cases containing indigo dyes bearing the "Flying Eagle" trademark, which trade mark was alleged to resemble so closely another registered mark as to be likely to mislead.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs. Deacons, appeared for the complainants, who sued *viâ* their local agents the Deutsche Farben Handelgesellschaft Huibel & Co. The defendants were represented by Mr. M. K. Lo of Messrs. Lo & Lo.

It was pointed out by Mr. Lo at the earlier hearing that the goods came into defendants' possession as a result of a well-known and established banking custom, and that if the summons were to succeed it would effect a revolutionary change of banking practice in the Colony. A firm well-known to the Shanghai branch of the Ho Hong Bank had mortgaged 150 cases of indigo dyes with them, and, as the arrangement was to forward the cases to Hong Kong, the goods were duly sent here with the accompanying documents, which were held here by the bank as security.

Mr. Lo had intimated that he would like a judicial ruling as to whether or not the Merchandise Ordinance was applicable to a case like the present.

Mr. Armstrong had argued that the onus was on the defendants to show that they had taken reasonable precautions accepting the security. The goods were stored in the Kowloon Godowns in the name of the Ho Hong Bank, so that the latter could not say that they were not in their possession. It was for His Worship to make an order if he was satisfied that there had been an infringement of trade-mark rights. The complainants would then take further action if necessary.

Defendants Vindicated.

Yesterday the solicitors for both parties appeared before Mr. Grantham, when Mr. Armstrong informed the Bench that the defendants had given him the necessary information as to how they came into possession of the goods, and his clients were satisfied as to the *bonâ fides* of the deal. He would like to ask leave to withdraw the summons and in so doing he would like to add that the defendants had convinced him that they had acted innocently and all imputations against the Bank were therefore withdrawn.

His Worship agreed to the case being withdrawn.

Mr. Lo observed that he was sorry that it had become unnecessary for his Worship to give a ruling as to the applicability of the Merchandise Ordinance in a case like this one, where a bank was concerned. It would have been very interesting from the academical point of view.

As regards the goods, Mr. Armstrong said that he understood that the owner was Mr. Lau Kai Sheung of 58, Des Vœux Road Central, and, after discussion between the Bench and the solicitors in Court yesterday, it was decided that the best course would be to issue a summons against the owner. The Court accordingly made no order for confiscation.

Mr. Lo mentioned in the course of the discussion that he understood that the goods, which were alleged to bear the trade mark of the complainant, in fact, came from a well-known Italian firm, whose mark was known throughout China.

CHINESE RUNS AMOK.

STABS LODGER AND JUMPS OUT OF WINDOW.

Believed to have temporarily lost his sanity, a Chinese named Li Kwai Yeung (32) was stated to have stabbed a fellow lodger on Sunday inflicting serious injuries to the man's forehead and back.

After attacking this man, Li is alleged to have attempted suicide by stabbing himself, and, apparently to make things absolutely certain, he jumped out of the rear window of his house into the yard which was 70 feet below.

The fall would have meant certain death, had Li not hit some bamboos on the ground floor on which clothing was put out to dry. Bouncing off the bamboos, Li toppled into the yard, very much alive. A chest wound however, was serious and on the arrival of the police from the Bay View Police Station, both Li and his fellow lodger were removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

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Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh, fair.

BIRTH.

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THE PASSING OF "T.P."

ONLY last month Mr. T. P. O'CONNOR, M.P., "Father" of the House of Commons and a famous journalist of the old school, celebrated his eighty-first birthday. He told his friends on that occasion that he was writing an autobiography, but that interesting work will be now left uncompleted. As many Englishmen as Irish will mourn his death, for "T.P." had a great host of friends in all parties. Those who differed with him on political issues admired his great literary ability, and his gifts as a forcible and witty orator. His fame as a political fighter has been dimmed with the passage of time, and few of the present generation know how "T.P." used to be howled down in the House of Commons by his political opponents, and how he used to be suspended for defying the Speaker's ruling in the stormy days of the Home Rule struggle.

Mr. THOMAS POWER O'CONNOR went to London in 1870. He had had three years' work as a reporter on a Dublin daily newspaper; and having got a few weeks' holiday and £4 in advance of salary, he decided to use his leisure and money in seeing whether Fleet Street was really paved with gold. He fell passionately in love with London, and vowed that only hunger would drive him back to Ireland. Not even hunger drove him back. He found that Fleet Street had a heart not of gold but of stone for her wooers—at first—and there were times when he had to go without bread, but he stayed on in London and had remained faithful to London as a fond lover ever since. For seven or eight years Mr. O'CONNOR was a free-lance journalist, unattached to any newspaper, and, being without a regular salary, had to depend for a livelihood on all sorts of odd jobs of writing. He wrote a "penny dreadful" for a weekly journal which brought him £35. "Sir WILFRED LAWSON," he said, "objected to the tone of some of those columns, and asked a question about them in the House of Commons. It was with difficulty I kept my countenance when he took me into his confidence."

His best known work at this period was "Lord Beaconsfield: A Biography," which, appearing in 1879, on the eve of the General Election, and being an unmitigated and frankly partisan attack on the Prime Minister, was a popular success. "My name," he proudly said, "rose from the obscurity and hopelessness of Grub Street to signify one of the literary forces of the time." What was more to his purpose, Mr. O'CONNOR got £100 for the book, which enabled him to accept an invitation to stand for the borough of Galway as a supporter of PARNELL at the General Election of 1880. He was elected by the narrow majority of five. At the General Election of 1885, following on the extension of the franchise by GLADSTONE'S Government, he stood for one of the new Liverpool constituencies, the Scotland division, where a majority of the electors were Irish and Catholic, and got returned. It was a fortunate move for Mr. O'CONNOR. The constituency's faithfulness, retaining him as its member without a break ever since, saved him, perhaps, from the defeat which befell so many of his colleagues sitting for Irish seats at the Parnell split.

"Tay Pay"—the English phonetic equivalent of the proper Irish pronunciation of "T.P."—was for years one of the closest and most important of PARNELL'S supporters. He was one of the most eloquent and outstanding members of the Irish Party in the House, and he was the head of the Irish organisation in England, wielding an influence that turned the Irish vote in England against GLADSTONE at the general election of 1885, and so brought GLADSTONE down with a crash, paving the way to the first Home Rule Bill of the following year. Mr. O'CONNOR was thus one of the great figures in the historic struggle that led to the foundation of the present Irish Free State, and in his "Memoirs of an Old Parliamentarian" has given a vivid account of those "brave days of old" when PARNELL'S personality dominated British politics. Mr. O'CONNOR was too near the man and knew him too well to endorse the usual melodramatic accounts of him. To him PARNELL was no monster of cold egotism, varied by furtive sensuality, but, as he says somewhere, "a great gentleman," with terrible failings but with very human sympathies. "T.P." was one of the hardest working journalists in London. His day began at six in the morning, when all the London dailies were placed on his bed. He suffered from insomnia, therefore his day often began three hours earlier. Until lately he typed all his own work, for he never got properly into the dicating habit. His typescript was notorious, and it was difficult to say which was the worse, his handwriting or his typescript; the former might be the drawing of a railway track done by a child of three, the latter has most of the words running on, and often three lines have been typed on top of one another. His speed of writing was uncanny; his average output was 4,000 words a day and yet he never seemed to be in a hurry, finding time for the House of Commons, luncheons, teas, dinners, and other social affairs. However pressing his engagements, he was never late with his copy. "Letting an editor down," he declared, "is as bad as sinning against the Holy Ghost." Journalism was his life; his newspaper was his master, of whom he must not be neglectful.

Mr. O'CONNOR was once offered a peerage, but refused it, giving as his reason a preference to be known as plain "T.P." rather than as Lord Somebody. His Majesty the King used to address Mr. O'CONNOR by his familar initials, and the genial Irishman was greatly delighted thereby. Judged by any and every standard, he was a great man, and one of whom his fellow countrymen will long be proud. To those who knew him—either as an aggressive political fighter or as the polished man of letters—this little pen-picture of him as he appeared on his birthday last month will be keenly appreciated:—Photographers have invaded his room, piled his many telegrams and flowers around him on his desk, and taken flash-lights. Afterwards they go: the smoke melts; and, across the now quiet room with windows brightened by the October sunshine, Mr. O'CONNOR smiles that half-shy, charming smile of his, known to his almost countless friends. He sits, with all the roses in front of him, taking snuff, and an inward look in his eyes. Is he recalling past scenes? He begins to tell, in his soft, level voice, about memory, what it brings to a man of his age, how it becomes a little blurred so that faces do not appear clearly and voices are not distinct in the mind. As to happy memories, he says:—"Every event or emotion in our life is mixed. I do not know the meaning of the words 'undiluted joy.' I never knew any such moment. There was always a reflective and sombre unseen self, of which I was aware underneath every happening. It is partly due to the Irish character, which, contrary to the usual impression, is more sad than joyous—something like the Russian." Then he adds, with a smile, "The people the Irish are least like in the world are the English. Perhaps it is because of that they get on well with them."

News and Views.

The next Congregation of the University of Hong Kong for the purpose of conferring degrees will be held at the University on Monday, January 13.

Notice is given in an announcement elsewhere of big-gun target practice between November 19 and 25 in the vicinity of The Brothers. Mariners are warned by the Harbour Office of these operations.

We have received a most attractive catalogue from Whiteaway Laidlaws, entitled "Gift Time." It contains a seemingly inexhaustible list of suggested Christmas presents for young and old, and is profusely illustrated. The catalogue can be had on application at the store.

A piece of Crown land known as Inland Lot No. 2979 was sold at the Crown Land Office yesterday to The Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. ltd. the upset price of $3,100. The land is situated in May Road and has an area of about 3,160 sq. feet. Its annual rental is $22.

Commander R. H. V. Buxton, who has been selected to attend the 1930 course at the R.A.F. Staff College, Andover, served in the cruiser Minotaur in China during 1914-15.

The engagement is announced of Miss Kathleen Eleanor, "Pat," Crowe, only daughter of Sir Edward and Lady Crowe, of Neville-terrace, S.W., to Mr. Conway John Peacock, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. H. Peacock, of Beech Hurst, Kingswood, Surrey, and Queenstown, South Africa.

There appeared recently in the London *Times* two remarkably good photographs taken from the deck of the destroyer Stormeloud as she was anchored in Victoria Harbour during the typhoon that swept across Hong Kong. They show the huge seas caused by the gale, and one of the pictures is enlarged to quarter-page size.

Commander H. A. C. Dick, late Squadron Gunnery Officer on the staff of the Rear-Admiral (D), Mediterranean Flotillas, has been appointed to command H.M. sloop Cornflower, China Station, in which Commander J. N. Pelly will shortly complete two years. The Cornflower is cruising in the Dutch East Indies during October and November, and returns to Hong Kong by December 1 for refit.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—Mr. Harry Armstrong Settle, mercantile marine officer, s.s. Kiangsu, to Miss Margaret Carruthers, of 127, Bower Street, Carlisle, who is travelling to Hong Kong on the P. and O. s.s. Rajputana. Mr. Roy John Elfstrom, merchant, Manila, to Miss Lou Anderson, who is on her way to Hong Kong on the s.s. President Cleveland, due December 16.

The Admiralty recently announced, that Captain M. G. B. Legge, D.S.O., R.N., has been appointed Naval Attaché to H.M. Missions in China and Japan, in succession to Captain C. V. Robinson, R.N. The transfer of duties will take place about February 12 next. Captain Legge, who is a son of Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. E. H. Legge and grandson of the fourth Earl of Dartmouth, entered the Navy in 1893, and was in command of the destroyer Forester when the War began. Early in 1916 he exchanged into the new destroyer Nerissa, which he commanded at Jutland. Having defeated enemy destroyers, "he gallantly pressed home an attack," said the official dispatch, "with torpedoes on the enemy battle-cruisers," and for his services during the action was appointed D.S.O. He was promoted to commander at the end of 1917, and in 1922 was Senior Naval Officer in the Upper Yangtsze. He was promoted to captain in December, 1925. During the present year he has been studying at senior officers' courses.

Hong Kong Art Club.

The Hong Kong Art Club is holding its annual exhibition on December 18, 19 and 20 in Pedder Building. The greater proportion of the work done by the members of the Club during the past year will be exhibited, and will include many sketches of local views in oil and water colour. There will also be an Arts and Crafts and Photographic Section.

Blackpool Circus Thrill.

An audience of about 3,000 holiday-makers at the Tower Circus, Blackpool, recently had an extra thrill during a wild animal act in which Louis Kovac performs with six tigers in the ring. Toward the end of the act one of the younger tigers struck Kovac, apparently playfully, on the chest with its paw. Another of the tigers, which was on a pedestal, jumped down in the direction of Kovac, who stepped out of its way, but in passing the animal caught his right arm with its paw. A minute or two later blood was seen on the sleeve of his silk blouse, and the manager of the troupe, seeing that he was injured, immediately stopped the act. The audience loudly cheered the plucky trainer, who, after the animals had left the ring, was attended by a doctor and taken to hospital, where it was found that he had three wounds on the right arm and one on the chest. The wounds, however, were not serious.

Ernst Toller at Ellis Island.

Ernst Toller, the distinguished German playwright, was admitted to the United States last month after being held overnight at Ellis Island on suspicion that he was ineligible under the law to enter the country. The immigration officials said they had been notified that Toller had served five years in a German prison, and that if this was for any ordinary crime he would be barred. Toller explained to the officials the well-known fact that he was a political prisoner, and was thereupon permitted to come in on a visitor's passport. Another class automatically excluded are "anarchists or persons who believe in or advocate the overthrow by force or violence of the Government of the United States, or of all forms of law, or who disbelieve in or are opposed to organised government," &c. Although Toller was a conspicuous German revolutionist, the officials apparently felt that he did not come under any of the provisions of this clause.

The Austrian swimmer, Edward Bernat, who started to swim the Channel from Dover recently abandoned the swim after he had got within three miles of the French coast. On his return to Dover he stated that he had encountered strong head winds.

There is one place in the world, where the bulk of the population has six fingers on each hand, and some of them have seven. Very few have five. The place is the tiny village of Cervera de Buitrago, in an isolated section of Madrid province. Citizens there are so accustomed to extra fingers that they regard a five-fingered hand as abnormal. When the young men go to Madrid and are rejected by the Army for "physical disability," they say it is absurd that men with only five fingers and therefore capable of less work are accepted.

Joseph Dowery was a poor man until he ran his pick and shovel into an iron box while digging a sewer in Chicago. Cautiously he opened the box and found therein $10,000 in new $100 bills. To keep the money, or turn it over to authorities was the question. After long pondering Dowery took the box and its contents to detective Thomas Callahan. Honesty was the best policy, Dowery thought. Maybe he would get a reward. Maybe he could put his pick and shovel away forever. Callahan looked at the money. "Counterfeit," he said.

With the increasing adoption of motor cargo ships of higher speed than formerly it has become customary to provide passenger accommodation on such vessels. In certain instances the cabins are more luxurious than those on the mail ships trading along the same routes, but a new note has, according to *The Motor Ship*, been struck in the latest motor-ship built for the East Asiatic Company's service between Denmark, England, and the East. This 14½-knot vessel carries a large amount of cargo and, in addition, there are 21 staterooms, each having its own private bathroom adjoining. It is understood that further motor vessels now being built for the East Asiatic Company's services will be similarly equipped.

Cheaper Rents.

Rent Restriction legislation, for which the Chinese Twenty-four Merchants Guild is asking, is not a satisfactory method of dealing with a problem due to limited supply and big demand. We had the same trouble in England owing to arrears of building during the Great War period but the Rent Restriction Act only puzzled the lawyers, annoyed landlords and tenants alike, and gave great opportunity for the more ingenious, among both parties, to "get to windward" of the simple-minded. Building, and yet more building, is the only solution, and we hope this fact will be discovered by the Committee of Investigation appointed by the Guild. The rent problem is one of the gravest in the Colony, and the Guild is doing excellent work in bringing it to the front for open discussion, but we have no confidence in their suggested remedy.

Speechifying at Hollywood.

A new ground for furious differences of opinion is indicated by the news that American makers of talking films are now trying to evolve a synthetic Anglo-American accent. It may have to be even more of a mixture than that, for, according to Miss Evelyn Brent, "All Hollywood is struggling to speak with a League of Nations accent, something that cuts the corners off American twang and avoids the affectations of English speech." The well-meant efforts of the B.B.C. to secure regularity of pronunciation for its announcers sound like child's play in comparison with the campaign to achieve a sort of Esperanto of elegance that will be equally acceptable in West Kensington, Wigan, the Middle West, and little old New York. One has a slight fear that the ultimate result of this endeavour may be acceptable only in Hollywood itself. But it will certainly give the rest of us something to talk about—even if we resolutely refrain from talking like it.

A MacDonald Wanted In Hungary.

"When a MacDonald, a Snowden, or a Henderson arise from the ranks of Hungarian workers, and, filled with enthusiasm for his country, makes its influence felt in the world as these great leaders of British Labour did at the Hague, then the workers' representatives themselves will be encouraged to take part in the active government of the country." These words were uttered by the Regent of Hungary (Admiral Horthy) in a speech at Mako on the occasion of the unveiling of a monument to war heroes. The Regent went on to say that while during the war the Fatherland demanded sacrifices to-day she called for hard work and perseverance so as to lay a solid foundation for the future of the race. They had been able to surmount the initial tremendous difficulties, thanks to the political formation of the country. But there were still difficulties to be overcome, and he time had not yet arrived to alter that formation if they did not want to compromise the success of their efforts. The rural population was the great strength of Hungary.

SUICIDE ATTEMPT.

INCIDENT ON "PRESIDENT McKINLEY."

A Chinese named Choi Yat, described as a store-keeper, attempted to commit suicide in the hospital room of the s.s. President McKinley while alongside the Kowloon Wharf last evening. He was a passenger from Kobe to Hong Kong, and during the great part of the voyage he had been kept under observation owing to signs of insanity. With the aid of a razor he inflicted a nasty cut in his throat.

A stretcher party was sent to the vessel, and the man, bleeding badly from the wound was taken across the harbour by launch and sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

FIRES IN KOWLOON.

TWO OUTBREAKS YESTERDAY.

Fire appliances on the Kowloon side had to deal with an outbreak at 1 a.m. yesterday, and after strenuous work for half an hour they were successful in confining the fire more or less to the house originally affected.

The fire started on the ground floor of 904, Canton Road, used as a carpenter's shop, and had quickly got a firm hold on the first floor, used as a dwelling, when the appliances answered the summons promptly. A partition which separated the first floor from the adjoining house was burnt through and the fire spread in that direction causing some damage.

Station Officer G. Saunders was in charge of the appliances from Tsimshatsui and Mongkok sent to cope with the outbreak, and it was with much difficulty that the flames were prevented from destroying the whole block.

The damage is assessed at over $1,500.

A Second Blaze.

Another fire occurred at 6.30 p.m. in Shanghai Street, Mongkok, a building of three floors being involved. It started in the ground floor used as a mattress and bedding shop and spread through the building.

Two hydrants were brought into use and the fire was of such a serious nature that it took some three hours before the stop signal was given. Considerable damage was done to the contents in addition to damage to the building itself.

Peak Grass Fire.

At 9.50 p.m. a grass fire was reported in the vicinity of No. 382, The Peak. Police and firemen were despatched to the scene to assist the Botanical and Forestry Department people in putting out the fire.

Looking Back 25 Years.

Last evening His Excellency the Governor entertained the Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Singapore cricketers at dinner at Government House. There were 15 present, including the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary. The band of 110th Mahrattas played selections during the evening.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, November 19, 1904.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Before the business of the criminal sessions commenced, His Lordship said an application had been made to him by Mr. Dennys that, as there were no barristers in the Colony except the Attorney-General (who of course prosecuted) Mr. Hayllar (who was also retained for the prosecution) and Mr. Ng Choy (who appeared for one of the prisoners), he (Mr. Dennys) might, under these circumstances, be allowed to appear and defend the other prisoner, who, it was alleged, required a different line of defence, and in any case he was entitled to a separate defence. His Lordship asked if there was any objection. The Acting Attorney-General (Hon. J. Russell) said there would be no objection. His Lordship said if there had been an objection he would have had to decide on it, but he thought it right that Mr. Dennys should be allowed to appear as advocate.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, November 19, 1879.

A FURTHER SOVIET OFFENSIVE.

C.E.R. TROUBLE FLARES UP AGAIN

RUSSIA IMPATIENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Nov. 18.

Harbin messages to Rengo report that the Soviet are impatient at the slow progress in the settlement of the C.E.R. dispute, and have decided to commence activities at all important points on the Chinese-Soviet border.

According to a report from Hailar, six Soviet 'planes reappeared over Tsakang, 38 miles east of Manchuli, and bombed the station and other points, inflicting severe damages.

Dalainor Attacked.

TOKYO, Nov. 17.

A message from Harbin states that Soviet troops resumed the offensive early this morning at Dalainor in the Manchuli sector, interrupting railway telegraph and telephone communication. The Chinese inhabitants are flocking to Hailar.

Eighteen Soviet 'planes attacked Dalainor this morning, dropping bombs on Manchuli, which it is reported was subjected to an air raid and heavy artillery fire.

Determined Assault.

TOKYO, Nov. 18.

A renewal of Soviet activity both on the eastern and western sectors of the Chinese Eastern Railway is reported. Following the resumption of the offensive at Dalainor, in the Manchuli region yesterday morning, six Soviet planes appeared over Mutangiang, 100 miles westward of Pogranitchnaya yesterday afternoon and dropped over 30 bombs, apparently with the intention of destroying the new Chinese aerodrome nearby, according to Harbin's Rengo correspondent, while the *Asahi* reports that the aerodrome was actually destroyed.

In the meantime, severe fighting between Soviet troops and Chinese is reported in the region of Dalainor, while Soviet 'planes destroyed a C.E.R. train between Dalainor and Chichkang and inflicted extensive damage in the same region.

TENGFENG CAPTURED BY NANKING TROOPS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Nov. 18.

A telegram from Chiang Kai Shek's headquarters at Hsuchang states that Nanking troops under General Wan Tsun Tsai have captured Tengfeng.

An official telegram confirmed the report saying that Wan's troops occupied Tengfeng on Saturday evening. Many prisoners were taken and a large number of rifles captured.

AMERICAN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

PRESIDENT'S HEAVY PROGRAMME.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, November 18.

Instead of the proposed White House Conference on economic questions, President Hoover has decided to confer with the group representatives separately, beginning on November 19, when he will meet the Eastern railway presidents, who alone are able to reach the city, prior to attending an important gathering of railway executives at Chicago on November 22, at which they will be able to submit the results of their conference with President Hoover.

The President, on Wednesday, will meet the bankers, manufacturers, and heads of great public concerns, the following day the agricultural leaders; and before the week-end the labour leaders. He hopes to prevent a volume of unemployment throughout the country following the break in the stock market, thus maintaining the people's buying power.

MORE ARRESTS IN DURBAN.

DESPERATE PLOTS REVEALED.

ACTION JUSTIFIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DURBAN, Nov. 18.

Another police raid on the native quarters was carried out to-day, and 700 natives were arrested and appeared before a special court in the afternoon.

Justification of the Government's action in raiding the native barracks is provided by the disclosures made by informers to the police, who learned on good authority that the natives intended "to resist to the death" the collection of taxes.

It is reported that they were arming for the purpose, and also planning a strike of dock labourers to destroy the Congella Power Station, and possibly to attack the petrol station on the Bluff. The petrol companies demanded police protection.

A SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

KARACHI, Nov. 18.

Messrs. Costes and Bellonte have arrived here from Calcutta, on a non-stop flight, to which point they flew from Hanoi in 17 hours non-stop.

U.S. MERCHANT MARINE.

EXPANSION PROGRAMME.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.

One of the items on the agenda of the conference of the industrial leaders, called by President Hoover, which is meeting this week, is stated to be the immediate expansion of the American merchant marine by thirty new vessels at a cost of G.$200,000,000.

GEN. SMUTS HONOURED.

AN OXFORD DEGREE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 17.

General Smuts received a great ovation yesterday at Oxford University at the ceremony of conferring upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law.

Before leaving for his visit to America, General Smuts will be received by the King at Sandringham.

THE RETIREMENT OF DR. F. M. NEILD.

LEADING SHANGHAI PHYSICIAN AND ATHLETE.

Shanghai, November 15.—One of the best-known medical practictioners in Shanghai—Dr. F. M. Neild—sails to-morrow on retirement from China. Dr. Neild came to Shanghai in March, 1910, joining the firm which is now Dr. Jackson & Partners, and with whom he has practised ever since. He has held several official appointments, having been on the S.M.C. Health Committee and the Hospital Board of Governors since 1925, and British Admiralty surgeon and agent, and surgeon to the Chinese Maritime Customs. He was elected president of the Shanghai Medical Society, 1923-24, after service the year before as vice-president.

Dr. Neild, of course, had a very extensive practice, but it is probable that the majority of the older residents of Shanghai have a still more intimate personal acquaintance with him on account of his sporting activities. He played Interport Rugby for Shanghai but his best game was cricket, though he was unable to give sufficient time to it, except at Home. He was once invited to play for Shanghai against Hong Kong, but was compelled to decline.

ELECTIONEERING IN MEXICO.

BULLETS AND PAVING STONES!

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 18.

The casualty list in connection with what officials call a "comparatively quiet" Presidential election, are so far 19 killed and 50 wounded. These figures include 8 killed in fighting in Mexico City within sight of the President's palace, where shots were exchanged and asphalt paving torn up, and thrown with terrible effect.

Five policemen were killed at Toluca, owing to the overturning of a lorry in which they were proceeding to the scene of a fight.

Ortiz Rubio has been overwhelmingly elected, but adherents of Jose Vasconcelos, leader of the anti-reelectionists, charge that the Opposition were seizing polling booths when they were opened, and forcibly or menacingly prevented tens of thousands from voting.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.

The Mexican National Revolutionary Party, founded by ex-President Calles and the late ex-President Obrégon, claims a sweeping victory at the Presidential election for its nominee Ortiz Rubio. His opponent is Jose Vasconcelos, ex-Minister of Justice.

ONTARIO HYDRO ELECTRIC.

$15,000,000 IN PHYSICAL ASSETS.

["D.P." Special Service.]

Belleville, Ont.—Fifteen million dollars in physical assets and reserves now held by the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission will be split among the municipalities of the Central Ontario hydro-power zone as soon as all set up their own distributing systems, it was announced by Hon. J. R. Cooke, Minister without portfolio in the Ontario Government, and the Government representative on the Hydro Commission.

The Central Ontario power zone is one of the several systems comprising the Ontario Hyrdo Electric lines. The announcement was made by Mr. Cooke before a large public meeting held here in connection with the plebiscite to be taken when ratepayers will decide whether Belleville will purchase its own hydro distributing system for $186,000. The vote is to be taken on August 8.

Mr. Cooke said that the Hydro Commission was tendering the people of Belleville a distributing system earning $60,000 each year in profit because the underlying principle of the legislation by which the commission was formed is that power must be supplied to each municipality at cost.

Power at Cost.

"Not only power at cost, but any reserve built up from profits can never become the property of the province of Ontario or of the Hydro Commission. Reserves must ultimately pass to those municipalities which own their own local distributing system and which have become partners in this great enterprise," stated Mr. Cooke.

Oshawa, Peterboro and Lindsay are three central Ontario municipalities which recently have taken over their own distributing systems. If the present vote is favourable, Belleville will participate with them and such other towns as Cobourg, Trenton, Pictou and Napanee, which are expected to follow Belleville's example.

When all the cities and towns have voted and have been credited with their shares of the $15,000,000, the so-called unscrambling or dismembering of the local distribution end of the Central Ontario system will be complete. The provincial hydro commission will then be able to boast that each of its component municipalities, numbering more than 500, owns its own local distributing system, for these central Ontario towns are the last Hydro-served municipalities in the province to take over their own distributing systems.

R.101'S SURPRISE FLIGHT.

LONGEST TRIAL YET ATTEMPTED.

STILL UP ALOFT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 18.

The airship R.101, in continuance of her tests began a surprise flight yesterday morning, and is still in the air. No definite time has been fixed for her return to her mooring tower. She is in continuous wireless communication with the Air Ministry ground staff. After leaving Cardington she flew north and passed over the shed of her sister ship R.100 at Howden, on her way to Newcastle and Edinburgh, where she turned west. In the clear moonlight she could be clearly seen and her movements were admired by large crowds in Glasgow and later in Edinburgh.

She then cruised southwest and made for the Irish Coast passing over Belfast at about 10 o'clock last night. Some hours later she was reported off the Isle of Man, and at 7 o'clock this morning was over the outskirts of Dublin. After cruising over the neighbouring country, she recrossed the Irish Sea, and at 10 o'clock had reached Holyhead, and proceeded towards Liverpool.

From Liverpool she will take her course over Manchester, and is expected to pass over the Midland towns early this afternoon. This is the seventh and longest flight of the R.101. Hitherto her longest flight was that of November 4, when, leaving her mooring tower at 8 o'clock in the morning she remained afloat until 10 o'clock the following morning.

During her speed tests, the R.101, using four of her five engines, attained a speed of 70 miles per hour on a 14-mile stretch, and did sharp turns when going at the rate of 62 miles. At the time she was carrying 97 per cent. of her full load, or about 145 tons.

MR. T. P. O'CONNOR DEAD.

A FAMOUS FIGURE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17.

The death is announced of Mr. T. P. O'Connor, the well-known journalist, and "Father" of the House of Commons, at the age of 81.

[An appreciation of Mr. T. P. O'Connor appears on the leader page to-day.]

U.S. NIGHT-FLYING RESEARCH

A STRIKING EXPERIMENT.

A "blind" flight of 14 miles in an aeroplane by a pilot completely enclosed in the cockpit and unable to see anything except the instrument-board was carried out recently at Mitchel Field, Long Island, in a two-seater Consolidated-Wright biplane which the Daniel Guggenheim Fund for the Promotion of Aeronautics has been using during the last 11 months in experiments directed towards the elimination of the dangers to flying occasioned by fog and darkness.

The achievement was made possible partly by the gradual perfection of a new gyroscopic compass, of an extremely sensitive altimeter, registering the correct height to within a few feet, and of an instrument called an "artificial horizon," which, when the real horizon has been obliterated by fog, shows whether the aeroplane is heeling and whether its nose is dipping or rising. Another important factor was the new short-range radio beacon set up on the flying ground, which casts a ray 15 to 20 miles long in two directions. When the aeroplane deviates from the path of the ray, one of two reeds fitted on either side of the instrument-board vibrates, according to whether the deviation is to the right or the left.

The pilot sat in the rear cockpit, which was covered over and made quite dark except for the illuminated instrument-board. After a good "take-off" he flew five miles out along the path of the ray and returned along the same path. When the reeds indicated that he was directly over the beacon he flew on another two miles reckoned by his stop-watch, came back again and made a perfect landing almost on the spot from which he started. He was accompanied by an emergency pilot, who, however, kept his hands outside the cockpit throughout the flight.

THE LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE.

GEN. DAWES AND CRUISER QUESTION.

POINTS ON PARITY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, November 17.

General Dawes, the United States Ambassador in London, who returned from a brief visit to America yesterday, was the guest at a dinner last night of the Institute of Journalists. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, was present.

General Dawes referred to the results of the Anglo-American naval conversations which were begun by him in an interview with the Prime Minister immediately after General Dawes reached England to take up his appointment some months ago, and to the prospect of the January Five-Power Conference. That conference, he said, was called under the advice of the Kellogg Pact and in its spirit the great naval powers would meet.

The negotiations between Great Britain and United States had been a preliminary, and their result was subject to such modifications as might result from necessities of other powers. In these preliminary negotiations, as in any more general disarmament negotiations, the motto "one thing at a time" should be kept in mind.

The discussion of other ultimate objectives, such as freedom of the seas, and, more comprehensive disarmament, should never be allowed to obstruct any agreement which may be a step in their direction. Public opinion eventually would control all, and for the proper formation of its final judgment, the public should first have a clear statement and understanding of the case.

The Technical Angle.

During the last four months in the conversations between Great Britain and the United States, most of the time had been devoted to technical naval discussion in a preliminary way of the following points:—First, of the naval requirements of each of the two nations essential to their respective security; whether reduction might be secured consistent with the meeting of these requirements; third, of what would constitute equality in strength between the two navies, particularly in the cruiser category.

Substantial agreement upon what constitutes equality in the cruiser category involved the settlement of a series of technical questions, upon each of which at first conflicting opinions were submitted. In each instance this involved the necessity of further research and reconsideration by both sides before final agreement of technical naval opinions between the American Naval Board and the British Admiralty was reached.

Dissension In America.

NEW YORK, November 17.

Reuter states that the appointment of only civilian delegates to the London Naval Conference, and what is considered the subordination of Naval experts to the role of mere technical advisers, is reported to have caused dissatisfaction in naval circles.

The *New York Times* reports that Rear-Admiral Hilary Jones has withdrawn from the delegation, and will probably be replaced by Rear-Admiral Jackson, an active member of the General Naval Board.

"Acceptances."

PARIS, November 17.

France has accepted the invitation to attend the London Naval Conference.

TOKYO, November 17.

It is understood that Japan's acceptance to attend the opening of the naval conference on January 21 was forwarded through diplomatic channels over the week-end.

China clay, stated to be of a quality equal to any in England, has been discovered in the village of Pembury near Tonbridge, Kent. It has been found on the site of a brickworks, and the land has been purchased by Mr. W. Knight, who has been turning out Devonshire pottery for many years. It is proposed to set up a pottery works and to make a special Kent ware, chiefly art pottery. Houses are to be built on the land to house the workmen, and a number of old cottages are to be pulled down to make way for them. This will mean an entirely new industry for the country.

BAD WEATHER IN ENGLAND.

DROUGHT BROKEN AT LAST.

EXTENSIVE FLOODING.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 17.

For the second time in one week, over one inch of rain was registered in 24 hours in many parts of Southern England yesterday, and the first fall of snow of the season was experienced.

Yesterday, the flight of the airship R.101 had to be postponed and horse racing at Hurst Park and golf matches and other outdoor events were stopped. Extensive flooding is reported from many areas.

Only one air liner left Croydon during the day and the Indian mail was sent by boat and train to Budapest. Heavy seas ran in the Channel, but no loss of life is so far reported.

"SPIRIT DRAGON" CHIANG.

RAIN-MAKING MADE EASY.

[United Press.]

Hankow, Nov. 5.—It may be all coincidence that every time General Chiang Kai Shek arrived in Hankow it rained dogs and cats, but in the opinion of superstitious Chinese the phenomena had something to do with their ancient theory that "all big men belong to the Divine Class." Thus the Generalissimo is looked upon as the incarnated form of that "Spirit Dragon" which is regarded in Chinese mythology as the guardian of treasures and peace. For the dragon is supposed to be always accompanied in its flights and tours by storm and rain.

General Chiang Kai Shek paid no less than four visits to this city since the conclusion of the anti-Northern Expedition, and his arrival each time was marked with either a heavy shower or a continuous drizzle. "Only the dragon is like this," the native people gossiping at tea-houses would whisper, and indeed it is no easy task to convince them that there is such a thing as coincidence. When General Chiang was about to arrive here last week to go to the front, rain was anticipated—by the farmers, the boatmen, the old school-teachers, and all those who accept the tale of the "Spirit Dragon." And rain did come!

All the "mosquito" papers printed the story exalting the Nanking Generalissimo as a dragon that comes from Heaven, and brings with him peace and prosperity. They have, of course, very carefully avoided picturing the dragon as a fierce-looking creature with a griffin's head, a scaly, winged body, huge claws, and a barbed tail, that creates a wicked storm wherever it goes.

An attempt to get "All Quiet on the Western Front" banned from the Preston library has come to light. It appears that pressure was brought to bear on the chairman to withdraw the book. Suddenly the book, of which there were two copies, reappeared on the shelves, apparently because of the long waiting list for it, and of the obvious storm that was brewing. Three further copies have been purchased.

GOVERNMENT COAL PROPOSALS.

GENERAL ACCEPTANCE BY MINERS.

BIG MAJORITIES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, November 18.

The Government's coal proposals were accepted at all miners' conferences held during the week-end, except in Yorkshire. The South Wales miners' executive has unanimously recommended men, at their conference in Cardiff to-day, to accept them.

The secretary of the Yorkshire miners announces that there is, and has been, no question of Yorkshire leaving the Federation, and that the Yorkshire delegates will be present at the resumed Miners Delegate Conference in London on Wednesday.

The Yorkshire miners opposed acceptance by 53,000 to 37,000, but in other districts the Government proposals were approved by overwhelming majorities.

N.C.O.'S DEATH AT SHANGHAI.

FOUND WITH THROAT CUT ON HOSPITAL ROOF.

A distressing tragedy was enacted at the British Military Hospital when C.Q.M.S. Minty, of the Wiltshire Regiment was found dead on the roof of the hospital with his throat cut says a Shanghai paper of Nov. 14. By the side of the body was a razor and the indications were that the man had taken his life.

It appears that the deceased entered the hospital a few days ago and had undergone a minor operation to his nose. He suffered no ill-after effects and was allowed to do more or less as he pleased during the period of convalescence.

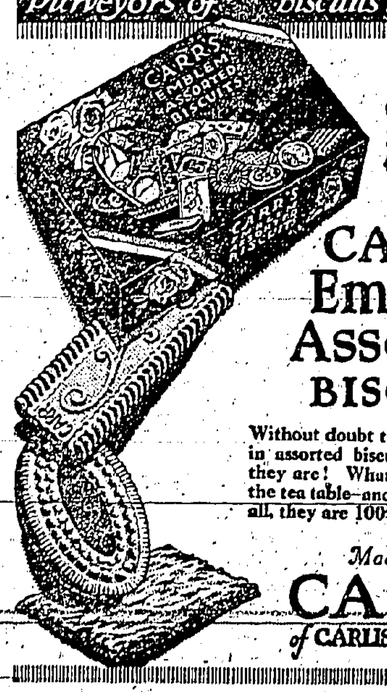
He appeared to be in good spirits and gave no indication that he intended to do himself any harm, but just before 5 o'clock, when the rest of the men, who were exercising on the roof, left for their quarters, the deceased apparently took his razor and cut his throat. A little later, a Lance Corporal attached to the R.A.M.C. discovered the body and reported the matter. Military doctors were called but the man was already dead.

At the inquest Sgt. Edgar Williams Human, Wilts Regt. identified the body and said that he had known the deceased for nine years and knew his wife and two children at Home. He had first met the deceased in India and had been stationed with him in various quarters over the past several years. The deceased had always been of a jovial disposition and had never intimated to witness that he was in trouble or likely to take his own life.

The inquest was adjourned.

A motor-car conveying Mr. Philip C. Smart, of the Bath City Engineer's staff, and his bride, Miss Marjorie Dickinson, from the church after their wedding at Bath was held up by friends, who roped the car to a decorated steam-roller. On the front of the roller was a large notice bearing the words *Honeymoon Express*. Another inscription read, "A gay bachelor, R.I.P." The roller towed the car through the streets at a speed of two miles an hour under a constant rain of confetti.

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Sports News

LAWN TENNIS.

SHANGHAI PLAYERS ARRIVE.

INTERPORT "WHO'S WHO."

Yesterday evening the s.s. President McKinley, with the Shanghai Interport teams, berthed at the Kowloon Docks. Many representatives of the Tennis Association and players met them on board. The teams follow:—

Men.—Wade (Captain), Gordon Lum, Canavarro, and P. Kong.

Ladies.—Mrs. Strafford Smith (Captain), Mrs. Frith, Miss Collaco and Miss Crawford.

A brief resumé of the men's records appears below, while a later article, will deal with the ladies.

Local Practice.

At the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday, S. A. Rumjahn (Hong Kong's No. 2 Singles) played T. Honda (No. 3) in a best of three sets match which resulted in a win for him by 8-6, 1-6 and 6-0.

The trial match—Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham v. McEachran and Goldman—for the No. 2 Doubles place, which was to have taken place yesterday, did not come off on account of the indisposition of the last named, but the former pair will meet McEachran and another this afternoon at the Hong Kong Cricket Club.

The Shanghai teams will be seen in action at the Hong Kong Cricket Club this afternoon.

The Shanghai Men.

Shanghai's team this year is considered to be the strongest ever put up in an interport against Hong Kong. It is headed by Gordon Lum, who came to China in 1927 with the distinction of having been coached by Gerald Patterson, twice Wimbledon champion, and still one of the best in the world to-day. Lum was ranked with the first seven in Australia previous to coming back to China, and had at different times defeated such famous players as Patterson, J. O. Anderson, Pat O'Hara Wood and Crawford. Lum played for China in the Far Eastern Olympiad in 1927, with Khoo Hooi Hye as his team-mate. These two succeeded in eliminating the Philippines and then overcame Japan by winning three straight matches, two singles and a doubles, in a best-of-five series.

Last year saw Lum at his best when he went to the United States with Paul Kong to represent China in the Davis Cup tie against America. China was unsuccessful, mainly due to the fact that Lum had agriously sprained an ankle previous to the commencement of the matches, but following the Davis Cup Lum redeemed his reputation by capturing four State championships and being runner-up in three. Returning to Shanghai after the American tour, he won the hard court championship and entered the final of the doubles with Paul Kong. They lost to Dr. Duck and Canavarro, in the grass court championships of Shanghai this year, he was again successful, winning both the singles and mixed doubles.

A Fine Volleyer.

Lum is considered to be one of the finest volleyers Shanghai has seen. In a singles match, when given an opportunity of advancing to the forecourt, he seldom fails to effect a kill, and it is only a very accurate and nimble driver who can pass him. He was at the height of his net-play this year, when he defeated Khoo Hooi Hye, the Malayan champion, in four sets. The match was played at the Pioneer field, before a record crowd of five to six thousand. Lum's overhead is also above the ordinary: when he is forced to stay on the baseline he can hold his own as his forehand is aggressive and his backhand reliable.

Wade's Record.

J. L. Wade has the distinction of winning the Shanghai grass court championship in 1924, 1926, 1927 and 1928. His feat of taking the championship three years in succession gave him permanent possession of the challenge cup put up for competition. Wade started playing in interports for Shanghai in the year 1922, and has captained the Shanghai team three times. The first two occasions were when Hong Kong visited Shanghai in 1923 and 1928, and on the present occasion he is again captain.

(Continued on next Column.)

Among the big matches Wade has played is the singles against Toba in 1926, when he extended the Japanese Davis Cup star to four hard-fought sets before admitting defeat. In the same years he and Sullivan entered the doubles final to play against Kumagae and Toba, said to be the strongest combination ever seen in Shanghai. The Shanghai pair took one set and lost the other three only by close scores. Wade has also at various times won the hard court singles championship as well as both the grass court and hard court doubles tournaments. In mixed doubles, he has been successful on the grass court.

Wade's forte is his excellent understanding of the finer points of the game. His drives, both fore and back hand, are slightly undercut and although he can be aggressive when he wants to he relies mainly on tactics to defeat his opponent. He is a hard worker at all times.

An Old Hand.

Canavarro is the oldest interport player in the team. He started playing for Shanghai in 1920, and since then has been on the Shanghai aggregation in every interport played against Hong Kong and Tientsin, with the exception of the series with the northern port this summer. While advancing in years, Canavarro is playing just as well as ever and his record in Shanghai this year bears testimony to this for during the season he won the International Cup, Open Doubles and Hong Doubles championships on grass, while on the hard courts he was successful in the men's and mixed doubles. Although essentially a doubles player, he can hold his own in singles and in the year 1923 he defeated Wade for the singles title. The following season he was runner-up to the same player. This season, while not so successful in the singles game, he nevertheless succeeded in winning the championship of the Portuguese Sporting Association, for which the Botelho challenge cup has been donated.

A Fine Record.

Canavarro's record in the doubles includes capturing the coveted title in 1920, 1921, 1923, 1925, 1926, 1928 and 1929. He has partnered with many different players in taking the championships. He has won the Hong Doubles three times, twice for the Hong Kong Shanghai Bank and this year for Sports Ltd., leading sporting goods store in Shanghai, of which he is manager.

As is to be expected, Canavarro specializes in volleying. In this department, although he does not often score outright, he generally succeeds in finding uncovered territory or placing his shots in such a way that his opponent is given little chance of making a good return, with the result that the point is won—eventually.—Canavarro smashes in the same way.

Paul Kong.

Paul Kong, although not having such a good record as his teammates, is in the same class. He is a Honolulu-born Chinese and was educated in America. While in Columbia University he was chosen to play on the team and after leaving college he was on the Chinese team in the Davis Cup in 1924. He was again honoured last year. Although Kong has not spent much time in Shanghai, he has found time to enter one or two tournaments. In 1926 he met Wade in the final of the grass court singles. He was also a member of the Chinese team in the Far Eastern Olympiad, although he did not play.

Kong's strong points are his foreing drives, which are hit on the rising bounce, giving his opponent little time to get set for a return. He has a fast service with plenty of spin, and a reliable net game. His smashing is among the best in Shanghai.

YACHTING.

1ST LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

In the first Ladies' Championship Race, La Linda secured the verdict in the "H." class and Boojum in the "I.Y. and G." class.

The course was: 1 Lyemun Beacon (P.), 2 Mark on Line (P.), and 3 Channel Rocks (P.).

Results were as follow:—

"H" Class.

	Times. Finished.	Corrected.
Diana (4)	4.58.34	4.56.38.5
Colleen (2)	4.59.49	4.55.50.3
La Linda (1)	4.51.04	4.48.25.3
Dorothea (3)	5.00.21	4.55.51.5

Started 3 p.m.

"I," "Y" and "G" Classes.

	Times. Finished.	Corrected.
Daphne (4)	5.13.18	Scratch
Why Wonder (5)	5.21.49	"
Wings (2)	5.04.43	"
Boojum (1)	5.04.07	"
Speedwell (3)	5.04.49	"
Adanac (6)	5.25.13	"

Started 3.05 p.m.

Hong Kong at Play.

SPORTS NOTES AND COMMENTS.

[By "BROADCASTER."]

Hardly is one race-meeting over in Hong Kong before another looms up, and between now and Christmas the racing community will be extremely busy, notwithstanding the fact that there is no longer any racing in Macao. On Sunday the Fanling Hunt Steeplechase will hold their first meeting after the summer "vacation," and I think those who make the trip will find plenty of good sport ahead, if the entries, which were published in the papers recently, are any criterion. I see that on the whole a better class of animals is being taken out to Fanling than has been the case during the earlier years of racing at the Kwanti Course.

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To return to flat racing, the next meeting at Happy Valley is only two weeks away, and the week following that will also be occupied with racing at Happy Valley. This is a fairly full programme for even the most hardened punter—in fact, a bit on the heavy side, if Dame Fortune should be against you.

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The return of the ponies from Shanghai and their participation in Saturday's racing was very welcome, and the surprise victory of Tarmacadam will be the talk in racing circles for some days. By the way, I hear that a certain popular racing-man is already making a book on the forthcoming Champions (1930), and is giving very generous odds all round. I do not wish to dwell on the odds, but from the fact that long prices are being offered it is safe to assume that the race is a very open affair, and I think it will be no easy matter to pick the winner a week off the races, let alone three months ahead.

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Hiawatha's great win in the St. Leger will probably make this chestnut a hot favourite for the "Extra Meeting Champions" to be held on December 7. Other contenders will probably be Boxing Eve, Winsome Stag, and Christmas Chimes. Possibly also Chesapeake Bay and Majestic Hall will start, in which case there should be a gruelling race, and the winner should stand a very good chance at the big meeting's Champions. If Hiawatha wins he will be a very serious contender indeed, for since the summer interval he has made the other ponies in Hong Kong look like hacks. If he can make the field in the Autumn Champions look the same way, it will cause a good deal of concern in the minds of such owners who are importing, or have arranged to import, high-priced animals for the mere pleasure of winning the Champions.

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Both Chinese teams were successful in League football on Saturday, the Athletic accounting for the Police by four goals to one, and the older team (South China) beating St. Joseph's by three goals. The Police, I think, are heading for the wrong end of the League, and have only a single point to their credit after seven matches. The Club de Recreio did quite well to share the points with the Hong Kong Football Club. Incidentally, this is their first point, but by the end of the season I feel they will get a few more and just avoid the tail-end position.

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In the second division the K.O.S.B. are well ahead of their programme, having played twelve matches since the beginning of the League. They have won eleven and lost one, and it looks as if they are going to carry off the honours. The China Athletic "A" have only played seven games and have only a single defeat chalked up against them, while the record of South China "A" is very much better on paper, this team not having lost a single match in six. If these teams can keep up their good record, the soldiers will have to look to their laurels, but I am sure they will take pretty good care to win one of the two divisions during their last season in Hong Kong.

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Tennis enthusiasts have a treat in store for them when the Hong Kong-Shanghai Interport comes off this week, and there is every likelihood of an interesting struggle, as a very strong team has been chosen to represent Hong Kong. It only needs good weather to make the Interport tennis as interesting as the cricket we have just seen. There is no doubt that public support will be encouraging.

DEATH OF MR. A. A. LILLEY.

A FAMOUS STUMPER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 17.

The death has occurred of the famous Warwickshire wicket-keeper, A. A. Lilley, at the age of 62.

CRICKET NOTES.

SOME HIGH SCORING.

[By "L.B.W."]

With the Interport contests over interest is again centered on League cricket, and though the first division teams have not quite got over the Interport feeling yet, there were three games decided in the junior section last week-end.

There was some high scoring in the H.K.C.C. v. R.A. match, which resulted in an easy win for the former. O. Moor again came off with the bat for the Cricket Club, and played a good innings for 55 not out. I must say I was somewhat surprised to see Musson turning out for the Gunners. I was under the impression that he would confine his activities to the senior division, playing for the Army, but it seems I made a mistake. As it was, he ran into the half-century, too—his knock for 52, I was told, was the result of a very stylish innings. Divett again took a crop of wickets, and going on as they are I feel sure the Club will again finish at the top of the League table this season. They have a very good side, which includes old hands like Armstrong, Summers, and Lammert. The Gunners, I am afraid, rather disappointed their supporters, but the season is still early, and more may be heard of them as it progresses.

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The Craigengower Cricket Club scored an easy victory over the R.A.O.C. at Happy Valley, thanks mainly to some fine bowling by Sourbutts and Way. The former had the excellent analysis of 8 for 16 runs, and I think will do very well indeed this season. He is right-hand medium-to-fast with a leg break, and I should imagine most batsmen in the second division do not like this type of bowling. Of course there are some stout-hearted fellows who swipe at everything, and they are just the ones who break any bowler's heart! I have seen a perfectly good ball pitched a little outside the off stump sent away to the leg boundary, and just what the poor bowler thought of the batsman can be imagined. J. W. Leonard, of the C.C.C., carried his bat for 76 runs. I am not sure, but I seem to remember him playing for their 1st XI. last season. I see Bradbury has come out of his shell again, and should be quite a help to the Craigengower juniors. He used to be quite a good bat some seasons ago, but somehow seems to have lost interest in the game for the last season or two.

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At Sookunpoo the I.R.C. juniors suffered their second defeat of the season, this time at the hands of the C.S.C.C. seconds. The visiting team batted first, and in spite of the fact that they only collected 95 runs, came out winners by 35! Randle and Edmonds bowled quite well for the Civil Servants, and the former also put together a useful 28, though his knock was a decidedly lucky one.

Madar alone played well for the home side, his 25 runs being put together in quick time. The fielding of both sides was patchy, as a result of which several catches went a-begging. A. K. Ismail bowled quite well, though I am inclined to think he would do much better if he paid more attention to length and less to speed.

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There were several friendlies decided as well on Saturday, and in these some close results were seen, especially in the Kowloon-Recreio affair, when the former won by the narrow margin of 1 run. One thing has struck me rather forcibly in the second division games I have seen this season, and that is the poor calling on the part of the batsmen. Some do not even call at all, and as far as "backing-up" is concerned, the sooner some of the players are taught a few lessons in this phase of the game the better it will be for their side.

Another thing I noticed is the easy way in which wides are given. I actually saw a player making an attempt to hit a ball a little away from the off-stump, and though the middle of the bat passed *over* the ball, the umpire signalled a wide! Surely it is not very hard to swot up the rules of the game!

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GOLF NOTES.

[By "WRYNECK."]

The first serious item of the golf season took place on Sunday, when the S. Andrew's and St. George's Societies played a 16 a side match.

The course was in magnificent condition, and the attention given to it during the summer has shown excellent results. The fairways are just hard enough to lend a little bit of flattery to a mediocre drive. At the same time there is in most cases sufficient grass on them to make an iron or mashie shot a pleasure. The greens are just right—soft enough to allow an approach to be pitched well out, and practically all at the same speed. In fact, the courrse is in better trim than I have ever known it.

On paper it seemed as if St. George's would win fairly comfortably as their handicaps total 119 as against 138 of St. Andrew's, and, as the match was played off scratch, it looked as if this would be more than the men from the North could carry. This large difference was partly accounted for by the fact that St. Andrew's had two men playing from 16, whereas the two longest handicaps on the St. George's side were 13 and 11. As it turned out, St. Andrews won one of these matches when Campbell (16) beat Butlin (11).

In the top match Marton, in spite of the after effects of the Interport festivities, beat Ferguson by 5 and 3, going round in an approximate 72.

In the second match, just to show that the English were not to have it all their own way, Shewan twisted Andrewes's tail to the tune of 7 and 5. The only larger margin recorded was lower down the list, where Harrison beat White Smith by 8 and 7.

Gordon Dodwell made a welcome return from home leave, where he appears to have sampled most of the English courses, and in finding his land legs again he was beaten 5 and 4 by Robertson. Lissaman and Young were the only pair to finish all square, and five matches went to the last green. St. Andrew's went in to lunch leading by a small margin.

In the afternoon four-ball matches were played, and although Ferguson and Shewan accounted for Marton and Andrewes by the convincing margin of 4 and 3, the tide was stemmed by Dodwell and Lissaman, who halved their match with Robertson and Young.

Three of the next four matches were won by the Southerners and, although the St. Andrew's tail came in valiantly rampant, it was unable to overcome the damage which had already been done, St. George's winning the match by a small margin.

I think St. Andrew's would have stood a better chance of winning had Shewan played No. 1. True, he has not had much practice lately, and probably did not fancy his chances against Marton. As it was, he went round in an approximate 75 without much opposition from Andrewes and, had he been playing Marton, he might have managed to fish a few more strokes out of his bag to half the match.

The teams assembled after tea to have a photograph taken, and doubtless the victory was suitably celebrated at the 19th!

GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

BOGEY POOL—FANLING, NOV. 16 AND 17.

E. des Vœux 3 up wins.

Other score: E. D. Lawrence 1 down.

There were 18 entries.

IN A SHANGHAI ALLEY.

PITTSBURGH SEAMAN AND DANCE GIRL SET ON.

An American sailor and a cabaret dancer were the victims of five Chinese loafers in Shanghai last week, in an alleyway off North Szechuen Road. The sailor's pea-jacket, was wrenched from him and his companion's hand bag snatched.

The incident happened at 4.30 a.m., after the sailor, who is off the U.S.S. Pittsburgh, had left a dance hall in North Szechuen Road and was making a short cut through an alleyway in the vicinity.

Five Chinese followed the pair when they entered the dark alley and after walking a little distance caught up with them. One of the thieves pushed the sailor headlong and at the same time pulled his pea-jacket from him, whilst two others saw to the girl. The sailor gave chase and called out to a policeman, who was on patrol duty in the street. The latter, however, was only able to arrest one of the five, who happened to be the one who had stolen the overcoat, whilst the others scuttled away in different directions.

When the prisoner was brought up at the Provisional Court six hours after his arrest, a remand was asked for in order that the police may make further inquiries.

Evidence was given in which the girl said that she did not suffer any serious loss. She also admitted that the sailor and herself were under the influence of drink at the time.

CHOIR MEMBERS DISMISSED.

VICAR'S ACTION.

At St. Michael's Church, Lumb-in-Rosendale, the vicar (the Rev. T. Caleb) has dispensed with the services of the adult members of the choir.

Relations have not been happy for some time. At the harvest festival the vicar refused to allow the choir to sing an anthem which had been prepared for the afternoon service. In the evening the choristers declined to take part in the procession through the church to the choir stalls before the service started. Instead, they proceeded direct from the vestry to their places in the choir, following the same procedure after evensong.

The senior choristers have since received communications from the vicar, in which he expresses regret that he cannot avail himself of their services any longer. No reason was given. The choristers are to hold a meeting to decide what steps should be taken.

Mr. Caleb, who was educated at the Allahabad University, India, came to Rossendale in 1926 from No Man's Heath in the Diocese of Lichfield, where he was vicar. He has held curacies at Longton (Staff), Stoke Newington, Watford, and Barking.



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VIGOROUS ATTACK ON DEAN INGE.

LABOUR M.P.'S REPLY TO HIS "BIOLOGICAL BOSH."

A vigorous reply to Dean Inge's attack on the Labour party was recently made by Mr. Fred Montague, Under Secretary for Air, when he spoke at West Islington.

Mr. Montague said that the very reverend gentleman who some time ago described the Labour party as being mainly composed of wastrels, blackguards, and incompetents had again been writing biological bosh. It was strange that a dean of a christian church should invariably measure English culture and character by incomes, yet that was what that authority on mysticism and Greek literature invariably did. The middle classes, according to the Dean, were mentally and physically the finest specimens of humanity to be found anywhere, and yet were being squeezed out of existence ruthlessly for the benefit of the State-subsidised working classes.

"All this is prejudiced and unchristian nonsense. Dean Inge knows very well that a very small minority of any class live the serene cultured life he admires, and he ought to know that intellectual capacity, if not education on public school lines, is no monopoly of any class. As for physique, let him go down to the docks or come to a West Islington goods yard. The Dean's gibes at working men are becoming irritating; let him get on with his own job, which is his Master's business, and remember that Jesus Christ was not really a member of the British middle classes.

"Working men, despicable and unrefined as they may be, are the people who do the dirty work for him which he would otherwise have to do for himself. He ought to be everlasting grateful to them for leaving him to his culture while they save him from famine, pestilence, and sudden death for an average wage that would not buy his books."

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A RUSSIAN GANG AT WORK.

All the elements of a drama are associated with the kidnapping of Mr. Aaron Brenner at Tientsin on November 7, says the *North China Star* which gives the following account of the incident.

A well-known American citizen, Mr. Aaron Brenner is a partner in the firm of Brenner Bros., dealers in furs and skins. Some time after 8.30 o'clock one evening he was missing and a demand was received shortly after by his brothers for ransom, rumoured to be half a million gold dollars, accompanied by threats on the life of the kidnapped man if the money was not forthcoming promptly and if any attempt was made to search for him.

The news spread with lightning rapidity and caused considerable consternation among his large circle of friends and acquaintances, especially among the other fur and skin buyers. Adding to the excitement and speculation came the news that the police had arrested a handsome blonde Russian woman who is now being held at the British Police Headquarters.

On receiving the demand for ransom the brothers, Mr. D. Brenner and Mrs. J. Brenner, lost no time in communicting with the American Consulate-General and the local police, and a frantic search was made for him. Exhaustive enquiries were made of his friends and every place he was likely to be was visited fruitlessly.

The Blonde Lady.

Thus far investigations have revealed that he was last seen at 8.30 o'clock on Thursday evening in the company of the blonde lady on Wusih Road, opposite the Broadway Hotel, going toward Dickinson Road. Earlier in the evening he had been playing a game of cards at the house of a friend, and about 7 o'clock he received a note and making his excuses he left without giving any hint as to where he was going.

Large Gang Operating.

It has been reported that there are several Russians in town, members of a large gang of kidnappers who have been operating in Russia and recently in Harbin, and a local lady, who has been in Harbin only a short while ago, positively asserts that she has seen them in town and that there could be no mistake whatever as to their identity, as they were well known in Harbin.

The presence of this gang of operators, coincident with the arrival of the blonde lady who had been out to "kill" the town has given rise to the theory that Mr. Aaron Brenner has been kidnapped by an organized gang of neatly dressed Russians. There is no doubt whatever that the missing man is the victim of a deep and well laid plot, so neatly was the whole affair carried out and so promptly did the demand for ransom arrive.

Endeavors to get more details from the two Brenner brothers and the police were met with a point blank refusal, and wild rumours are being heard on every side as to the size of the ransom, as well as much speculation as to whether the ransom would be paid and when the victim will be released. In the meantime silence is being preserved by the people in the know. All efforts to get Brenner Brothers on the telephone yesterday were unavailing, the line having evidently been cut or disconnected.

[Since the above account first appeared, Mr. Aaron Brenner has returned to his home, but the whole affair remains a complete mystery.]

THE SUGAR WAR IN AMERICA.

LIKELY TO FURTHER PHILIPPINES INDEPENDENCE?

Washington.—Senator Charles W. Waterman of Colorado offered a resolution which would request the President to notify Cuba of the United States' intention to terminate the present tariff reciprocity treaty.

This move, sponsored by Senators and Representatives from the Western sugar beet producing States such as Colorado and Utah, is part of a general move aimed at both Cuba and the Philippines.

It is the contention of the sugar beet men that importations of large amounts of duty-free sugar from Cuba and the Philippines is highly injurious to the domestic sugar growers, and that the situation must be altered at the earliest possible moment.

A Philippines independence resolution will again be presented to the Senate at the approaching regular session of Congress and it is expected to receive support from the domestic sugar men in addition to the liberals who have consistently stood for separation from the Island.

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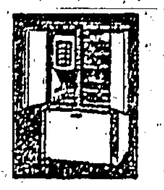
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Winter uniform will be taken into general wear from Friday, November 15. Those who are not in possession of same will apply to their respective equipment officers at once.

Chinese Company.

SQUAD DRILL.

All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at Central Police Station on Thursday, November 21, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for squad drill under P/Sergt. R. J. Hunt. Dress: Mufti.

Indian Company.

TRAINING COURSE: PART I.

The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part I. of Training Course (Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises):—

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Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, November 19. Fall in at the Tsimtsatsui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, November 21st. Fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company.

REVOLVER PRACTICE.

Members are reminded that revolver practice will be carried out on Kennedy Road Range on Sunday, November 24, at 10 a.m. Belts and holsters will be worn. Uniform optional.

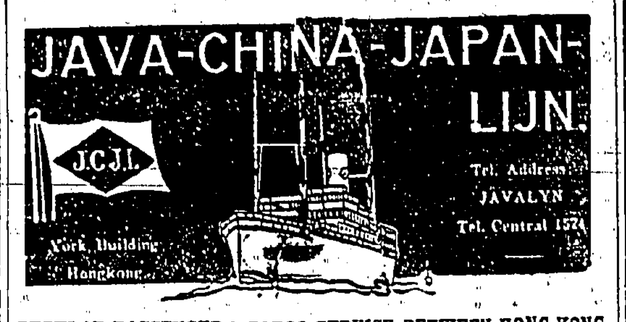
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Hong Kong, November 18, 1929.

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	MONDAY, NOV. 18.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
...	$1,355	...	...	H.K. Banks	...	$1,355	...	...
...	...	...	£123½	Do. (London)	...	...	...	...
£19	...	...		Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£19½
...	...	...	£30½	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£34½
...	...	...	£15¼	Do. "C"	...	...	...	£15
$95	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	$94	...	...	...
				Insurances				
$695	...	...	...	Canton Ins.	...	...	...	$700
...	$2½	...	...	Underwriters	$2.10	$2.25	...	...
T160	...	...	...	North China	...	...	...	T160
...	$365	...	...	Union Ins.	...	...	$360	...
...	...	...	M.$50	Yangtsze Ins.	...	...	...	$60
$310	...	...	...	China Fires	$310	...	...	...
...	...	...	$815	H.K. Fires	$815	...	...	...
				Shipping				
...	...	...	$27	Douglases	$26	...	...	...
...	...	...	$28½	Steamboats	...	...	...	$20½
$46	...	...	...	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	$50
...	...	...	$70	Do. (def.)	...	...	...	$90
...	...	...	96/-	Shell Transports	...	...	...	100/-
...	...	...	$22	Water-boats	$21½	...	...	...
				Mining				
$4.80	...	...	56/3	Benquets	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	T12.90	Kailans	...	...	...	57/6
...	...	...	T.7½	Langkats (comb.)	T.14½	...	...	...
...	...	...	T1.30	Do. (single)	...	...	...	T.9
...	...	...	T.5	Explorations	...	...	...	T.1⅝
$1 ½	...	...	...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	...	T.3½
...	...	...	21/-	Raubs	$10.30	...	...	...
				Tronoh Mines	...	...	...	20/-
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
...	...	...	$147½	H.K. & K. Wharfs	...	...	...	$147½
...	$5.30	$5.30	20	Providents	$5.10	...	...	...
...	$35	...	...	H.K. Docks	...	$38	...	...
...	...	...	T.100	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	T.117
...	...	...	T.7½	New Engineerings	T.7¼	...	...	...
...	...	...	T.190	Hongkews	...	...	...	...
				Cotton Mills				
T.15	T15.30	T15.10	/.15	Ewos	T.15¼	...	...	...
T.76	...	...	...	S'hai. C'tons (old)	...	...	...	T.87
...	...	...	T.48	Do. (new)	...	...	...	T.63
...	...	...	T.9½	Zoong Sings	...	...	...	T10.30
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
$10.60	...	...	...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	$10.80	...	...
...	$66	...	...	H.K. Lands	$65½	$66	...	...
...	...	...	T.161	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...
...	$9.15	...	...	H.K. Realtys	...	$9.10	...	...
...	$98	...	$14½	Humphreys	$14.80	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
				Public Utilities				
$19.15	...	...	...	Tramways	...	...	...	$19.20
...	...	...	$11½	Peak Trams (old)	$11.65	...	...	...
...	...	...	$6.05	Do. (new)	$5½	...	...	...
...	$71	...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	$70½
$16	...	...	...	C. Lights (old)	$16	$16¼	$16¼	...
...	...	...	$15.30	Do. (new)	$15.85	...	...	...
...	$66½	$66	...	H.K. Electrics	...	$65½	$66	...
$23	...	...	...	Macao do.	...	...	...	...
...	$2½	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
$7.80	...	...	...	Telephones	$8	...	...	...
T.15½	...	...	...	China Buses	...	...	...	...
...	10/-	...	...	Tractions	9/-	...	...	...
20/-	...	...	...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	...
				Industrials				
...	...	...	T.11	Caldbeck, (ord.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	T.10	Macgregor (pref.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$2½	Canton Ices	...	...	...	$3
$12.70	$12.85	$12.70	...	Cements (comb.)	$12.70	...	12.70/-	85
...	...	...	$2½	Do (old)	...	...	...	$9½
...	...	...	$3	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$3
...	$8½	...	...	Ropes	...	...	...	$8.40
...	$0.80	...	...	China Sugars	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$27	Malabon Sugars	...	...	...	...
$5	...	...	...	United Asbestos	...	...	...	$29
				Miscellaneous				
...	$21	...	$0.80	Dairy Farms	$20½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$29	Der A. Wings	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$1.30	Amusements	...	...	...	$28½
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$1.95	...	...	...	Lane Crawfords	$1.90	...	...	...
$18	...	...	...	Mackintoshs	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	$4	...	...	...
...	...	...	$12	Sinceres (old)	$10½	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	$9½	...	...	...
...	$12	...	...	Watsons	...	...	...	...
...	$22	...	...	Wm. Powells	...	...	...	$12.60
3¼	prem.	...	...	B. Ind. G.8 Bonds	...	...	...	$3½
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TJIBADAK ...	Batavia	27th Nov.	27th Nov.	Amoy & S'hai.
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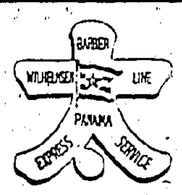
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Money and Markets

GOSSIP FROM THE SHARE MARKET.

EWO FLUCTUATIONS AROUSE INTEREST.

FREE ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

[By "KUFAN."]

Gossip often moves the market, but no investor should either buy or sell on market gossip only.

The Movement in the price of Ewos during the last week have led to a large amount of business being done, and what would otherwise have been a dull week was transformed by the interest shown in Ewos into a very lively period.

At the beginning of the week, Ewos began to slide alarmingly, and touched as low a figure as Tls. 14.50 for cash. Then a number of buyers appeared in the market and rates quickly went up to well over Tls. 15, the market closing with a very uncertain undertone.

I think, on the whole, Ewos will not go down much further, but the fact that they did go below Tls. 15 last week shows there are many sellers about, and it is difficult to make a forecast. Much depends on Shanghai, but I understand from a reliable source that the anxiety existing in Hong Kong over the November and December Settlements is quite eclipsed by that in Shanghai, where the position of the yarn market is being very closely and anxiously studied.

The gloomy news in Chinese political quarters, of course, will not help to push up the price of Ewos or any other stock, and the erratic prices and fluctuations during the week have put off many prospective buyers for the time being. Although Ewos were very much steadier on Saturday, I cannot say that a further decline will surprise me, though at the moment it seems the shares may move either way.

Brokers, I think, must look upon Interport cricket with an unfriendly eye, as it has resulted in a relaxation of business all round, and there was little to report in local stocks during the first few days of last week. With no further counter-attractions this week (I don't know if brokers will go "mad" over the Interport tennis), I expect things will brighten up a bit again.

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HONG KONG BANKS have been rather neglected even at $1,355.

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UNDERWRITERS—After a few shares had changed hands at $2.35, the demand sagged slightly and at the close of the week shares could be obtained at $2.25. Buyers, however, are holding off and are only offering $2.

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UNIONS have also declined, and I hear a few shares were negotiated at $360; further shares can be obtained at this rate for the present.

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WHARVES—There were a few inquiries for this stock, and at the close buyers were out to get shares at $147.50 but with no sellers in evidence.

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PROVIDENTS are weak, with sellers at $5.20.

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HOTELS were sold during the week at $11, and then at $10.80. The demand for this stock is weakening, and prices were not maintained last week. At the end buyers were only offering round about $10.60, with no sellers forthcoming.

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HONG KONG LANDS have buyers at $65.50 and sellers at $66.

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HONG KONG REALTIES—There does not seem to be any inquiry for this stock, and I understand there are sellers at $9, but no business has been reported.

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HUMPHREYS—A small business in these shares was done, and $14.50 is being offered for further shares. Sellers are asking 10 cents over this rate.

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HONG KONG TRAMS are on the "easy" side at the moment, with sellers at $19.50, but buyers at only offering $19.25.

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STAR FERRIES — A small amount of business was transacted at $71, and I understand there are still buyers in the market at this figure.

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CHINA LIGHTS have also "eased" slightly, after sales had been put through at $16.50 and $16. There were buyers on Saturday at the latter figure, but I think a little more than that will have to be paid for shares.

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HONG KONG ELECTRICS changed hands at $66, and closed with sellers at this rate.

CEMENTS had what might be described as a "nasty" drop early in the week, but after shares had been transacted at $11.75 and $12 for cash, a small demand set in and the price recovered somewhat, sales being reported at $12.70; later I understand quite a few shares were taken off the market at $12.75 and $12.85.

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DAIRY FARMS are wanted at $20.75.

REPLIES TO READERS.

Readers who are interested in the local share market are given an opportunity to ask any question relating to the local market and replies will appear in this paper every Tuesday. Questions of practice and custom, and prospects of various stock, etc., not only in the Hong Kong market, but also in Shanghai and Singapore, can be dealt with.

Every effort will be made to give as full a reply as possible, but it is distinctly understood that the writer assumes no responsibility whatever by so doing.

Letters must be addressed to "KUFAN," care of the Editor of this paper, and must bear the name and address of the correspondent. It is desirable to include a *nomme de plume*, not for publication but simply to enable the correspondent easily to identify the reply intended for him.

Those who have written in last week will find answers to their queries below.

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ANXIOUS.—There is no need to be worried over the falling price of your stock. Since you do not show a loss, be thankful. I advise you to hold on a little longer, as a sudden recovery is more than likely. The probability of the shares going below the figure you mentioned is very small.

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NINETY-NINE.—I would not be in a hurry to get into this Company, as although prospects are very bright, I don't like the way the price of this stock has been fluctuating. Until they steady up a bit, my advice is to look out for something steadier, if you must invest your money before Christmas. Why not wait though?

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OPAL.—I understand that steps are being taken to prevent "the crush" in December, of which you speak. No doubt your broker, if he is any good at all, will tell you all about it.

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SUNG.—What grounds have you for objecting to the transfer into your creditor's name? So long as you hold the proper papers, and so long as the scrip bears the same share numbers when they are re-delivered to you, I can see no ground for your "kick." You will agree that your creditors are entitled to protect themselves in the matters of dividends, etc. Moreover, if it is any comfort to you, most banks adopt this procedure whenever there is an overdraft. I think you must pay the transfer charges.

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CURIOS—Yes, the receipts of this Company must have been enormous, and I am sure rates will go up very much more. When the fever for this stock starts, it will probably be very sudden.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Ruoby, Nov. 17.
Paris	123.86
New York	4.87 13/16
Brussels	34.875
Geneva	25.155
Amsterdam	12.09½
Milan	93.18
Berlin	20.395
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.205
Oslo	18.205
Vienna	34.695
Prague	164¾
Helsingfors	194¼
Madrid	34.825
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	816
Rio	Holiday
Buenos Aires	46½
Bombay	1/5 27/32
Shanghai	2/0½
Hong Kong	1/8½
Yokohama	2/0 3/32
Silver (spot)	22 9/16
Silver (forward)	22 13/16

RAUB MINING CO.

REPORT FOR OCTOBER.

The following is the General Manager's report of the mining operations, for the four weeks ending October 10:—

Development.—For the period development work is a total of 933½ feet, as follows:—

Sinking	114
Driving	710
Crosscutting	109½
Total	933½

The tonnage mined and treated for the period totals 9,185 tons, the average yield per ton of fine gold, being 13/9 dwts. giving a satisfactory profit.

Development work gave satisfactory results, in the working stopes, and maintenance of reserves.

The Cyanide plant treated 500 tons of low grade concentrates, a satisfactory profit being shewn.

Bukit Koman Area.—From this area the tonnage mined and crushed totals 938 tons, and development completed in 441 feet.

140 ft. Level.—The east crosscut, driven 8 ft., ore 2 ft. wide low values. Driven north 9 ft. on ore value low.

440 ft. Level.—South drive extended 7 ft. ore 3½ ft. wide, value 10 dwts.

540 ft. Level.—North drive extended 8 ft. Rise up 2 ft. ore 5 ft. wide, value 30 dwts.

640 ft. Level.—North drive extended 10 ft., in low grade ore, value 4/5 dwts.

740 ft. Level.—Crosscut in 13 ft. stoping ore 2 ft. wide, value 20 dwts.

940 ft. Level.—Driven south from old stope in low grade ore a distance of 3 feet.

Bukit Koman North.—120 ft. level. Driven 54½ ft. ore small value 15½ dwts. 70 ft. level ore 2 ft. 14 dwts.

Shallow Workings.—Development 352½ ft. lodes 2 ft. value 5 dwts.

Anderson and Stope Area.—The tonnage mined and treated totals 501. tons, and development completed 180 ft.

160 ft. Level.—Stopping ore 3 ft. value 6 dwts. Driven from rise 9 ft.

260 ft. Level.—Stoping ore 4 ft. wide value 30 dwts. No. 1 Winze sunk 9 ft. total depth 14 ft. No. 2 Winze sunk 10 ft. total 16 ft. ore from winzes averages 21 dwts. per ton recovery. Shallow workings average 4 dwts. Development 131 ft.

Lilburne Shaft.—This has been sunk a further 30 ft., and is now 41 ft. below the 260 ft. level. Timbering, ladderway, being put in, and new compressor, winch, and rock drills all working satisfactorily.

Derrick Shaft Area.—The ore mined and crushed from this area, totals 726 tons, and development to 329 feet.

200 ft. Level.—Driven 17 ft. winzing 5½ ft. ore averages 6 dwts. Air shaft north drive advanced 7 ft. ore 7 dwts. East lode shaft ore 2 ft. value 5½ dwts. Shallow working development 300 ft. average value of ore 4½ dwts.

Construction.—Erection of compressor, cooling tanks, pumps at Lilburne shaft completed. 6 one ton ore trucks made, additional steel sluice made for dredge, grizzley bars made, and erected at battery, new Ore Breaker erected, liners for battery, and dies cast, tube mill liners, and general castings for plant completed.

Cyanide Plant.—500 tons of low grade concentrates treated for a yield of 86'75 ozs. of gold bullion, giving a satisfactory profit.

Dredge.—4,200 yards treated, for 32'60 ozs. of gold bullion, yielding a profit. Heavy stones, timber, etc., give trouble, and now cutting out a new position forr working.

Battery Tonnage.—40 Stamps worked for 27 days.

	Tons.
Bukit Koman Area	958
Anderson Stope Area	501
Derrick Area	726
Total	2,185

Amalgam.—3,819 ozs.

Smelted Gold.

	Ounces.
Battery	1,685.10
Cyanide Plant	86.75
Dredge	32.60
Total	1,804.45

SERVICE TO READERS.

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HONG KONG TRADE.

PIECE-GOODS BUSINESS STILL DULL.

The following information appears in the fortnightly report of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.

The following reports have been received:—

Local Market conditions are unchanged, and there is nothing of importance to report. Lancashire costs are slightly easier in sympathy with lower value of raw material. Mid. Am. Cotton "Spot" was quoted 9.39d. in Liverpool on the 14th instant and Eg. Sakel. 15.00d.

Another report states:—

There is nothing new to report. The serious increase in the cost of imported goods, brought about by the low exchange, is proving a barrier to new business, and although stocks of White Shirtings are reported to be low, there is no indication of fresh orders being placed. Local prices have been a little easier and the demand for Blacks remains very poor.

Woollens.

Some small repeat business is reported to have been done in Suitings, for February shipment, but it is doubtful whether the orders were based on current exchange rates. Clearances of all classes of winter cargo continue to be fairly satisfactory, although the dealers claim that they are making a loss on certain lines.

Cotton Yarn.

No business to report. Nominal quotations are as follows:—No. 10s. $175-180; No. 12s. $180-200; No. 16s. $200-210; No. 20s. $210-220.

[*Daily Share Quotations will be found on page 9 of this issue.*]

Halifax.—The French cruiser Primaguet, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, represented France at the unveiling of a memorial to the 2,000 dead left behind after the d'Anville expedition in 1746.

Sochi.—An aeroplane owned by the Ukrainian Airways Company fell into the sea near Sochi, Georgia, three passengers being killed, including Fabrizius, the assistant commander of the Caucasian Army.

Deauville.—M. Henriquet, who was seriously injured in a level-crossing accident there, has died in hospital. It is reported that Mr. Stirling, who is suffering from head wounds, has been moved to a nursing home from Trouville Hospital.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 350 METRES.

11 to 11.30 a.m.—Commercial News.
12.30 to 1.30 p.m.—Demonstration programme.
1.48 p.m.—Weather report.
5 to 7 p.m.—Programme of Victor and H.M.V. records supplied by Messrs. Moutrie & Co.
"Trovatore," Selection, Creatore's Band.
"What Is Done" and "Nocturne," Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.
"The Arcadians—Vocal Gems" and "Veronique — Vocal Gems," Light Opera Company.
"Lolly Pops" and "The Clock and The Banjo," Harry F. Reser, Banjo Solo.
"Overture" Part 1-4 (The Russian Festival of High Easter), Leopold Stokowski, Philadelphia Orchestra.
"If I Might Only Come To You" and "Mary, My Mary," Derek Oldham, Tenor.
"Pagliacci," Selection, Creatore's Band.
"Little Pal" and "Why Can't You," Gracie Fields.
"In The Heart Of The Sunset" and "Forever," Reginald Foort, Organ Solo.
"When You're Away" and "One Alone," Richard Crooks, Tenor.
"Two American Sketches" and "Song Of The Bayou," Victor Concert Orchestra and Victor Salon Group.
"Lonesome Road (The Show Boat)" and "Little Pal," Paul Robeson, Bass.
"The Singing Fool," Selection, De Groot and his Orchestra.
"Little By Little" and "Every Day Away From You," Johnny Marvin.
"Honolulu Sweetheart of Mine" and "Along Miami Shore," Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.
"The Smuggler's Song" and "Boots," Peter Dawson, Bass Baritone.
"La Traviata—Drinking Song and Gypsy Chorus" and "La Traviata—Prelude — Act III.," Creatore's Band.
"Old Time Songs," Jack Hylton and his Orchestra.
9 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7.48 p.m.—Evening weather report.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

Geneva.—With the sending by Honduras of a delegate to the League of Nations Assembly the number of Latin-American States represented this year will be 15 out of the 16 which are members of the League. Only Argentina will be unrepresented. This is the largest representation of Latin-America at any League Assembly.

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ANTWERP.

Kulmerland, Jebsen, Nov. 26.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.
Saarland, Jebsen, Dec. 10.
Beltana, P. & O., Dec. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 20.
Tanda, E. & A., Nov. 29.
Changte, B. & S., Dec. 17.

BALTIC PORTS.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.

BALTIMORE.

Comliebank, Bank, Nov. 27.
City of Winnipeg, Bank, Dec. 3.

BANGKOK.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Hiram, Thoresen, Nov. 24.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 1.

BELAWAN DELI.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., Nov. 21.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Lahn, Melchers, Dec. 6.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Dec., 17.

BOMBAY.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Nov. 19.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 1.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Alipore, P. & O., Dec. 19.

BOSTON.

Japanese Prince, Furness, Nov. 19.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 20.
Comliebank, Bank, Nov. 27
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Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Dec. 17.

BREMEN.

Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.
Lahn, Melchers, Dec. 6.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Dec., 17.

BRINDISI.

Romolo, D'well's, Nov. 30.
Venezia, D'well's, Dec. 10.

CALCUTTA.

Shirala, B.I., Nov. 19.
Talma, B.I., Nov. 25.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 29.
Hosang, Jardine's, Dec. 2.
Takliwa, B.I., Dec. 13.

CEBU.

Nevada, S.S.S., Nov. 20.
G'den M'tain, S.S.S., Dec. 3.
Texas, S.S.S., Dec. 3.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Nov. 26.
Huichow, B. & S., Dec., 4.

COLOMBO.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Nov. 19.
Porthos, M.M., Nov. 19.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Kashgar, P. & O., Nov. 23.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Nov. 26.
Sarpedon, B.F., Nov. 26.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Romolo, D'well's, Nov. 30.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Dec. 1.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 1.
Anchises, B.F., Dec. 3.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Dec. 3.
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Rawalpindi, P. & O., Dec. 7.
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Saarland, Jebsen, Dec. 10.
Venezia, D'well's, Dec. 10.
Beltana, P. & O., Dec. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Dec., 17.
Alipore, P. & O., Dec. 19.

COPENHAGEN.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.

DALNY.

Chenan, B. & S., Nov. 21.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Nov. 26.
Orestes, B.F., Nov. 28.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.

DUTCH PORTS.

Glenbeg, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Kashgar, P. & O., Nov. 23.
Shantung, Gilman's, Nov. 25.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Nov. 26.
Sarpedon, B.F., Nov. 26.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 1.
Anchises, B.F., Dec. 3.
Lahn, Melchers, Dec. 6.
City of Shanghai, Bank, Dec. 9.
Perseus, B.F., Dec. 10.
Saarland, Jebsen, Dec. 10.
Beltana, P. & O., Dec. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Dec., 17.

FOOCHOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Nov. 19.
Haining, Douglas, Nov. 22.
Haiyang, Douglas, Nov. 26.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Nov. 28.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Dec. 12.

GENOA.

Autolycus, B.F., Nov. 20.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Nov. 26.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Dec. 1.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 10.
Saarland, Jebsen, Dec. 10.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Dec., 17.

GLASGOW.

Autolycus, B.F., Nov. 20.
Sarpedon, B.F., Nov. 26.
Anchises, B.F., Dec. 3.

GOTHENBURG.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Tonkin, M.M., Nov. 19.
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HAMBURG.

Glenbeg, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
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HAVRE.

Autolycus, B.F., Nov. 20.

HONOLULU.

Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
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ILOILO.

Nevada, S.S.S., Nov. 20.
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JAPAN PORTS

Athos II., M.M., Nov. 19.
Canton, Gilman's, Nov. 19.
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Ammon, Jebsen, Nov. 20.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
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Pres. McKinley, T.M.L., Nov. 26.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Nov. 27.
Namsang, Jardine's, Nov. 27.
Oldenburg, Jebsen, Nov. 27.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Teiresias, B.F., Nov. 28.
Antilochus, B.F., Nov. 29.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.
Radnorshire, Jardine's, Nov., 30.
Dolius, B.F., Dec. 2.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Dec. 3.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Viminale, D'well's, Dec. 5.
Glenogle, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Rajputana, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Tilawa, B.I., Dec. 7.
Ceylon, Gilman's, Dec. 8.
Achilles, B.F., Dec. 8.
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 9.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Dec. 10.
St. Albans, E. & A., Dec. 10.
Talamba, B.I., Dec. 10.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Teucer, B.F., Dec. 12.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 16.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Dec. 17.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 18.
Suisang, Jardine's, Dec. 18.

JAVA PORTS.

Tjileboet, J.C.J.L., Nov. 19.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., Nov. 20.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Nov. 30.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 3.

LIVERPOOL.

Autolycus, B.F., Nov. 20.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 10.

LONDON.

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MARSEILLES.

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NAPLES.

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Dec. 1.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.

NEWCHWANG.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, Nov. 28.

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NORTH CHINA.

Ammon, Jebsen, Nov. 20.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Nov. 26.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.

OSLO.

Shantung, Gilman's, Nov. 25.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.

PANAMA.

Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 20.

PENANG.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Nov. 19.
Shirala, B.I., Nov. 19.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., Nov. 21.
Kashgar, P. & O., Nov. 23.
Talma, B.I., Nov. 25.
Sarpedon, B.F., Nov. 26.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 29.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Dec. 1.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 1.
Hosang, Jardine's, Dec. 2.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Takliwa, B. I., Dec., 13.
Beltana, P. & O., Dec. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.
Alipore, P. & O., Dec. 19.

PORTLAND.

Kambove, Bank, Dec. 7.
Michigan, S.S.S., Dec. 7.

RANGOON.

Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 17.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 29.

SAIGON.

Porthos, M.M., Nov. 19.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Dec. 3.

SANDAKAN.

Hinsang, Jardine's, Nov. 21.
Tanda, E. & A., Nov. 29.
Mausang, Jardine's, Nov. 30.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Pres. Taft, Dollar, Nov. 19.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
G'den Tide, S.S.S., Nov. 30.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
Michigan, S.S.S., Dec. 7.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Dec. 17.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Shantung, Gilman's, Nov. 25.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 5.

SEATTLE.

Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Nov. 26.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
Kambove, Bank, Dec. 7.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Dec. 10.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 16.

SHANGHAI.

Athos II., M.M., Nov. 19.
Canton, Gilman's, Nov. 19.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Nov. 19.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Ammon, Jebsen, Nov. 20.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Nagano Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 20.
Chenan, B. & S., Nov. 21.
Tean, B. & S., Nov. 21.
Changchow, B. & S., Nov. 22.
Khyber, P. & O., Nov. 22.
Malwa, P. & O., Nov. 22.
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Kanchow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Nov. 24.
Soochow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 25.
Danmark, Manners, Nov. 26.
Himalaya, D'well's, Nov. 26.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Nov. 26.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Nov. 26.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Nov. 27.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Nov. 27.
Oldenburg, Jebsen, Nov. 27.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Nov. 27.
Orestes, B.F., Nov. 28.
Teiresias, B.F., Nov. 28.
Antilochus, B.F., Nov. 29.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.
Radnorshire, Jardine's, Nov. 30.
Waishing, Jardine's, Dec. 1.
Dolius, B.F., Dec. 2.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Dec. 3.
Vitninale, D'well's, Dec. 5.
Glenogle, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Rajputana, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Dec. 7.

SHANGHAI.—*(Continued).*

Achilles, B.F., Dec. 8.
Ceylon, Gilman's, Dec. 8.
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 9.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Dec. 10.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 12.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 12.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 16.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Dec. 17.

SINGAPORE.

Kidderpore, P. & O., Nov. 19.
Kingyuan, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Porthos, M.M., Nov. 19.
Shirala, B.I., Nov. 19.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., Nov. 21.
Kashgar, P. & O., Nov. 23.
Antung, Jardine's, Nov. 25.
Talma, B.I., Nov. 25.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Nov. 26.
Sarpodon, B.F., Nov. 26.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 27.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K.; Nov. 29.
Pfalz, Melchers, Nov. 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K. Nov. 30.
Romolo, D'well's, Nov. 30.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Dec. 1.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 1.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 2.
Hosang, Jardine's, Dec. 2.
Anchises, B.F., Dec. 3.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Dec. 3.
Lahn, Melchers, Dec. 6.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 10.
Perseus, B.F., Dec. 10.
Saarland, Jebsen, Dec. 10.
Venezia, D'well's, Dec. 10.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 12.
Takliwa, B.I., Dec. 13.
Beltana, P. & O., Dec. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Dec. 15.
Koenigsberg Melcher, Dec. 17.
Alipore, P. & O., Dec. 19.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Anyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.

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Anyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.

SWATOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Nov. 19.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Tean, B. S., Nov. 21.
Haining, Douglas, Nov. 22.
Hiram, Thoresen, Nov. 24.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Nov. 24.
Soochow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Antung, Jardine's, Nov. 25.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., Nov. 25.
Haiyang, Douglas, Nov. 26.
Huichow, B. & S., Nov. 26.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Nov. 27.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 1.
Waishing, Jardine's, Dec. 1.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 2.
Tjisaroea, J.C.J.L., Dec. 9.

TIENTSIN.

Koenigsberg, Melchers, Nov. 26.
Kueichow, B. & S., Nov. 26.
Chekiang, B. & S., Nov. 28.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Nov. 28.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.
Huichow, B. & S., Dec., 4.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Dec. 12.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Romolo, D'well's, Nov. 30.
Venezia, D'dell's, Dec. 10.

TSINGTAO.

Sinkiang, B. & S., Nov. 19.
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Nov. 24.
Soochow, B. & S., Nov. 24.
Koenigsberg, Melchers, Nov. 26.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Nov. 27.
Isar, Melchers, Nov. 30.
Waishing, Jardine's, Dec. 1.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Tyndareus, B.F., Nov. 23.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Nov. 27.
Kambove, Bank, Dec. 7.
Teucer, B.F., Dec. 12.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 18.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Tyndareus, B.F., Nov. 23.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Nov. 26.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Nov. 27.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 2.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Dec. 10.
Teucer, B.F., Dec. 12.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 16.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 18.

VLADIVOSTOCK.

Canton, Gilman's, Nov. 19.
Radnorshire, Jardine's, Nov. 20.
Glenogle, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Ceylon, Gilman's, Dec. 8.

WEIHAIWEI.

Kueichow, B. & S., Nov. 26.
Chekiang, B. & S., Nov. 28.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Nov. 28.
Huichow, B. & S, Dec. 4.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Dec. 12.

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Annam due from Europe Dec. 15.
Antenor due from Europe Dec. 12.
Antilochus due from Europe Nov. 27.
Anyo Maru due from Singapore Dec. 2.
Asama Maru due from Japan Dec. 3.
Asuka Maru due from Singapore Nov. 19.
Athos II due from Sagon Nov. 20.
Autolycus due from Shanghai Nov. 20.
Bellerophon due from Europe Dec. 27.
Beltana due from Japan Dec. 13.
Benmohr due from Singapore Nov. 21.
Benrinnes arrived from Singapore Nov. 18.
Buenos Aires Maru due from Japan Nov. 21.
Canada Maru due from Japan Dec. 2.
Canton arrived from Hamburg Nov. 18.
Ceylon due from Hamburg Dec. 9.
Changte due from Australia Dec. 10.
Chenonceaux due from Shanghai Dec. 2.
City of Chester due from Europe Nov. 20.
City of Durham from Europe Dec. 18.
City of Shanghai due from Shanghai Dec. 8.
Comliebank due from Singapore Nov. 26.
Cremer due from Swatow Nov. 20.
Cyclops due from Japan Dec. 20.
D'Artagnan due from Europe Dec. 2.
Dakar Maru due from Japan Dec. 9.
Danmark due from Europe Nov. 25.
Dolius due from Europe Dec. 1.
Durban Maru due from Singapore Nov. 20.
Emp. of Russia due from Shanghai Nov. 21.
Ermland due from Europe Dec. 30.
Fushimi Maru due from Singapore Nov. 25.
Genoa Maru due from Singapore Nov. 26.
Glenbeg due from Shanghai Nov. 27.
Glenogle due from Europe Dec. 6.
Hakone Maru due from Japan Dec. 13.
Havelland due from Europe Dec. 16.
Hilda due from Europe Dec. 23.
Himalaya due from Europe Nov. 26.
Ilmar due from Europe Dec. 24.
Isar due from Europe Nov. 30.
Japanese Prince due from New York Nov. 19.
Jeypore due from Europe Dec. 8.
Kaga Maru due from Japan Nov. 19.
Kamakura Maru arrived from Singapore Nov. 18.
Kambove due from Singapore Dec. 7.
Karmala arrived London Nov. 17.
Kasado Maru arrived from Japan Nov. 18.
Kashgar due from Japan Nov. 22.
Kashima Maru due from Shanghai Nov. 29.
Khiva due from Europe Dec. 20.
Khyber due from Europe Nov. 20.
Kidderpore arrived from Shanghai Nov. 18.
Koenigsberg due from Europe Nov. 23.
Kulmerland due from Shanghai Nov. 25.
Kumsang due from Shanghai Nov. 26.
Kutsang arrived from Europe Nov. 18.
Lahn due from Shanghai Dec. 5.
Larchbank due from Singapore Dec. 2.
Machaon arrived from Singapore Nov. 16.
Malaya due from Shanghai Dec. 1.
Malwa due from Europe Nov. 21.
Morioka Maru due from Japan Nov. 28.
Nagano Maru arrived from Singapore Nov. 18.
Oldenburg due from Europe Nov. 27.
Orestes due from Europe Nov. 29.
Perseus due from Japan Dec. 10.
Pfalz due from Shanghai Nov. 29.
Porthos due from Shanghai Nov. 19.
Pres. Cleveland due from U.S.A. Dec. 16.
Pres. Grant due from Shanghai Dec. 2.
Pres. Jefferson due from Shanghai Nov. 22.
Pres. McKinley arrived from Shanghai Nov. 18.
Pres. Van Buren due from Shanghai Dec. 14.
Pres. Wilson due from Shanghai Nov. 30.
Radnorshire due from Europe Nov. 29.
Rajputana due from Europe Dec. 6.
Rawalpindi due from Japan Dec. 6.
Romolo due from Shanghai Nov. 29.
Royal Prince arrived Boston Nov. 12.
Saarbruecken due from Europe Dec. 20.
Saarland due from Shanghai Dec. 9.
Sado Maru due from Japan Dec. 10.
Sarpedon due from Shanghai Nov. 26.
Shantung arrived from Shanghai Nov. 17.
Shidzuoka Maru due from Shanghai Nov. 19.
Shinyo Maru due from Shanghai Nov. 19.
Shirala arrived from Amoy Nov. 18.
Siamese Prince due from New York Dec. 3.
St. Albans due from Australia Dec. 10.
Taiyo Maru due from Dec. 16.
Takada due from Singapore Dec. 19.
Takliwa due from Singapore Nov. 19.
Talamba due from Singapore Dec. 8.
Talma due from Japan Nov. 21.
Talthybius due from Europe Dec. 17.
Tango Maru due from Manila Nov. 21.
Teiresias due from Europe Nov. 28.
Teucer due from Japan Nov. 27.
Tilawa due from Singapore Nov. 29.
Tjibadak due from Java Nov. 26.
Tjikarang arrived from Java Nov. 18.
Tjikembang arrived from Amoy Nov. 18.
Tjisalak due from Java Nov. 22.
Tokiwa Maru due from Japan Nov. 26.
Tokushima Maru due from Japan Nov. 30.
Urbino due from Europe Dec. 10.
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Shanghai & Dalny	"CHENAN"	On 21st Nov.,	3 p.m.
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Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SOOCHOW"	On 24th Nov.,	Daylight
Amoy & Shanghai	"KANCHOW"	On 24th Nov.,	10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 24th Nov.,	10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Swatow & S'pore	"ANTUNG"	On 25th Nov.,	5 p.m.
Swatow Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	"KUEICHOW"	On 26th Nov.,	10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"CHEKIANG"	On 28th Nov.,	10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KALGAN"	On 1st Dec.,	10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Swatow & S'pore	"ANHUI"	On 2nd Dec.,	5 p.m.
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Wladivostock	12	30.02	762.6	37	...	NE	S	o	6	29.85	758.2	27	...	NNE	3	b
Nemuro	11	29.86	758.5	...	...	N	1	...	5	29.90	759.5	..	...	S	1	...
Hakodate	,,	29.92	760.0	...	...	WSW	4	...	,,	29.71	754.5	...	...	ESE	4	...
Tokio	,,	30.02	762.5	...	...	NNE	1	...	,,	29.80	757.0	...	...	...	0	...
Kochi	,,	30.06	763.5	...	...	...	0	...	,,	29.92	760.0	...	...	...	0	...
Nagasaki	,,	30.08	764.0	...	...	ESE	2	...	,,	30.06	763.5	...	...	W	2	...
Kagoshima	,,	30.08	764.0	...	...	ESE	1	...	,,	30.06	763.5	...	..	N	1	...
Oshima	,,	30.08	764.0	...	...	N	1	...	,,	30.10	764.5	...	...	NNE	5	...
Naha	,,	30.04	763.0	...	..	ENE	3	...	,,	30.10	764.5	...	...	N	6	...
Ishigakijima	,,	30.02	762.5	...	...	E	3	...	,,	30.16	766.0	...	...	NNE	3	...
Bonin Island	,,	29.96	761.0	...	...	NE	1	...	,,	29.98	761.5	...	..	ESE	1	...
Chefoo	15	30.09	764.8	38	100	SW	1	r	6	30.14	765.5	36	90	WSW	4	o
Shanghai	14	30.25	768.8	54	42	NW	4	o	,,	30.44	773.1	32	96	WNW	2	b
Gutzlaff	,,	30.24	768.1	54	74	NW	7	o	,,	30.42	772.6	42	50	NNW	7	b
Sharp Peak	,,	30.00	762.0	72	76	E	1	b	,,	30.38	770.4	62	67	NE	4	b
Amoy	,,	30.02	762.5	74	72	WSW	4	o	6	30.30	767.1	62	67	NE	6	o
Swatow	,,	30.00	762.0	75	78	N	1	o	,,	30.14	765.5	60	78	N	2	c
Taihoku	11	30.00	762.0	77	79	E	4	b	5	30.26	768.6	59	79	ENE	2	r
Taichu	,,	30.04	762.9	75	...	...	0	b	,,	30.12	765.0	62	...	N	4	o
Tainan	,,	30.00	762.0	79	...	N	2	o	,,	30.06	763.5	63	...	N	4	o
Koshun	,,	30.00	762.0	81	...	ENE	4	o	,,	30.02	762.5	70	...	NE	6	o
Pescadores	,,	30.04	762.9	70	...	NNE	4	o	,,	30.13	765.3	81	...	NNE	7	o
Hong Kong	14	30.03	762.7	73	73	N	1	o	6	30.16	766.0	61	45	N	4	c
Gap Rock	,,	30.03	762.7	...	..	ENE	4	o	,,	30.15	765.8	..	...	N	5	c
Macao	,,	29.97	761.1	72	75	NE	2	o	,,	30.17	766.2	59	43	NNE	4	c
Hoihow	,,	29.99	761.7	75	100	NE	2	o	,,	...	...	...	..	..	...	...
Pratas Island	..	29.95	760.8	77	77	NE	5	o	,,	30.07	763.8	72	73	NE	7	o
Phulien	15	30.04	762.9	68	100	N	2	r	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tourane	,,	29.87	758.7	72	...	NW	2	f	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.87	758.7	77	79	ESE	2	r	6	29.99	761.7	72	84	NE	4	o
Aparri	,,	29.84	757.8	84	77	NE	4	b	,,	29.93	760.2	77	89	NE	4	o
Tuguegarao	,,	29.78	756.3	86	58	NNW	1	o	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	,,	29.75	755.7	86	65	NW	4	b	,,	29.86	758.4	73	85	NW	1	o
Manila	,,	29.79	756.6	82	81	NW	2	o	,,	29.86	758.4	72	96	...	0	o
Legaspi	,,	29.76	756.0	90	72	NE	4	b	,,	29.81	757.2	81	89	N	2	o
Calbayog	,,	29.74	755.4	86	75	WSW	4	o	,,	29.82	757.5	73	96	NNE	2	o
Tacloban	,,	29.73	755.1	86	71	S	2	b	,,	29.81	757.2	77	89	NW	4	r
Iloilo	,,	29.71	754.5	86	68	NE	4	o	,,	29.80	756.9	75	91	NE	4	b
Cebu	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.79	756.6	79	84	...	0	o
Surigao	,,	29.72	754.8	84	77	N	2	b	,,	29.79	756.6	77	79	N	4	o
Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	29.82	757.4	78	...	ENE	3	c
Guam	12.22	29.74	755.4	...	...	E	4	o	4.22	29.78	756.3	...	...	NE	1	o
Yap	11.00	29.74	755.4	...	...	ESE	2	o	5	29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	2	o
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.83	757.7	78	...	NNW	2	c
Pompe	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.77	756.1	78	...	ENE	2	c
Labuan	14	29.89	757.7	80	91	...	...	...	6	29.74	755.4	76	86	SE	6	b

November 18*d.* 11*h.* 24*m.*—An anticyclone of considerable intensity is situated over the lower Yangtze Valley. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the coast, and over the northern China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·00 inch. Total since January 1, 69·40 inches, against an average of 81·48 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON NOVEMBER 19.

District.	Forecast.
1.—Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamocks 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan	N. winds, fresh; fine.

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, November 19.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.92	30.00	30.03
Temperature	74	64	70
Humidity	63	40	26
Wind—			
Direction	NE	N	N
Force	1	3	3
Weather	C	C	C
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 17·74
Lowest open-air Temperature, 15·61

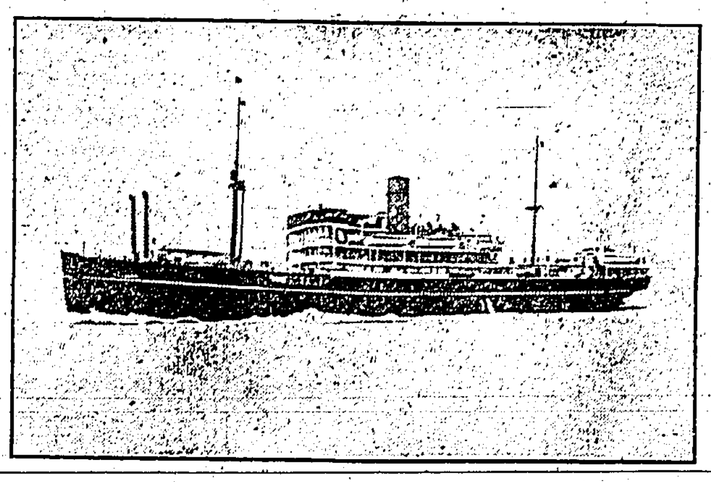
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Day of Week	Date of Month	High Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	Low Water: Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues	19	m 11 56	5 0	m 5 9	0 7
		10 20 a	8 6	4 1 a	3 7
Wed.	20	1 8 a	4 7	m 6 3	0 7
		11 6 a	8 5	4 56 a	4 0
Thur	21	2 54 a	4 5	m 7 4	0 9
		11 58 a	8 2	4 50 a	4 3
Fri.	22	—	—	m 8 14	1 1
		4 9 a	4 6	5 21 a	4 6
Sat.	23	m 1 2	7 6	m 9 26	1 5
		No infer. high nor Low wat			
Sun	24	m 2 39	7 0	m 10 34	1 7
		6 37 a	5 1	9 24 a	5 0
Mon	25	m 4 16	6 5	m 11 29	2 0
		6 41 a	5 5	11 32 a	4 5

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	"FOOSHING"	Wed., 27th Nov., at 7 a.m.
	"WAISHING"	Sun., 1st Dec., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, S'HAI, MOJI & KOBE..	"KUTSANG"	Wed., 20th Nov., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ...	"NAMSANG"	Wed., 27th Nov., at 7 a.m.
	"YUENSANG"	Tues., 3rd Dec., at 7 a.m.
	"SUISANG"	Wed., 18th Dec., at 7 a.m.
	"KUMSANG"	Tues., 31st Dec., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA ...	"HOSANG"	Mon., 2nd Dec., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ..	"HINSANG"	Thurs., 21st Nov., at 11 a.m.
	"MAUSANG"	Satur., 30th Nov., at 3 p.m.
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	Freight	S.S. "Ilmar"	departure 24th Dec.
Express	Freight	S.S. "Isar"	departure 5th Jan., 1930
	Pass.	S.S. "SAARBRUECKEN"	departure 11th Jan.
	Freight	S.S. "Augsburg"	departure 20th Jan.
Express	Freight	S.S. "Aller"	departure 31st Jan.
	Pass.	S.S. "COBLENZ" ...	departure 8th Feb.
	Freight	S.S. "Schlesien"	departure 18th Feb.

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Freight	M.S. "Koenigsberg" ...		due here 26th Nov.
Freight	S.S. "Isar" ...		due here 30th Nov.
Pass.	S.S. "SAARBRUECKEN"	..	due here 21st Dec.
Freight	S.S. "Aller" ...		due here 26th Dec.
Pass.	S.S. "COBLENZ" ...		due here 15th Jan., 1930
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5	Dec. 14
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 26	Jan. 4
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Jan. 15	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 23	Jan. 1
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 20	Mar. 31
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 22
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Apr. 4
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 9	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 17	Apr. 26
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 15	May 18	May 20	May 22	May 30
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 12	June 21
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 12
EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 16	July 13	July 15	July 17	July 25
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 23	July 26	July 29	June 31	Aug. 9
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 12	Aug. 14	Aug. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 6
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 9	Sept. 11	Sept. 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 25	Oct. 4
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 7	Oct. 9	Oct. 17
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 23	Nov. 1
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 4	Nov. 6	Nov. 14
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 12	Nov. 15	Nov. 18	Nov. 20	Nov. 29

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KASHIMA MARU Saturday, 30th Nov.
HAKONE MARU Saturday, 14th Dec.

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KAGA MARU Wednesday, 20th Nov.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 25th Dec.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

† TOKIWA MARU Wednesday, 27th Nov.
† TOKUSHIMA MARU Sunday, 1st Dec.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

ANYO MARU Sunday, 22nd Dec.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

WAKASA MARU Friday, 6th Dec.

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 9,230 TONS; THROUGH CARGO 20,030 TONS.

Cargo returns shown at the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows—

	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
British		
Sinkiang, Canton	—	200
Kweiyang, Tsingtao	1,240	1,120
Anking, Singapore	300	90
Tean, Shanghai	190	1,110
	1,730	2,520
Dutch		
Tjileboet, Amoy	—	270
Tjikembang, Sourabaya	3,020	7,700
	3,020	7,970
Japanese		
Tensan Maru, Dairen	1,100	3,120
Takao Maru, Keelung	1,470	3,120
Kasado Maru, Nagoya	760	3,300
	3,120	9,540
Chinese		
Yuan Lee, Saigon	1,120	—
	1,120	—
Total	9,290	20,030

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	2
Dutch	2	0
Japanese	3	2
Chinese	4	1
Norwegian	0	2
Total	14	7

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Anking (Br.) Singapore	1,118
Sinkiang (Br.) Canton	40
Tean (Br.) Shanghai, Swatow	32
Tjileboet (Dut.) Amoy	200
Tjikembang (Dut.) Sourabaya	533
Tak Hing (Chi.) Autow	21
Cheung On (Chi.) Shanmei	183
Total	2,127

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following ships were in harbour yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Pres. Taft, Malacca Maru, Kasada Maru; Soeony—Laichikok: Tymeric: Chiu On: Hydrangea; O.S.K.: Hozan Maru; Saikong: Wing Wo.

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(*Continued on next Column.*)

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

FIRING PRACTICE.

Information has been received by the Harbour Office from the military authorities to the effect, that 15 rounds are to be fired out to sea from a sixty-pound gun at a towed target in the vicinity of The Brothers. The gun will be located on shore near So Kun Tan, and all the usual range-firing precautions will be taken during the practice between Novemer 19 and 25.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by the s.s. Shinyo Maru from Shanghai:—Mr. E. Jaeger, Mrs. S. Kataoka, Mr. J. Schmidt, Mr. G. P. Heney, Mr. H. Stehr, Mrs. S. M. Thompson, Miss A. M. Thompson, Mr. K. Saito, Mr. S. Asabe, Misses Ayabe (3), Mrs. M. H. Crawford, Mrs. B. T. Wilson, Mr. P. Senegran, Mr. W. Bottmann, Mr. Vasgues, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Au, Mr. J. C. Cook, Mr. J. Cook, Mr. J. W. Jackson, Mr. V. Nixson, Mr. F. Artagon, Mrs. F. Buenaflor, Mr. J. Samson, Mr. H. Lyon, Mr. C. L. Simkins, Mrs. C. Simkins, Master C. Simkins, Miss F. Simkins, Miss E. Simkins, Master V. Simkins, Mr. B. F. Lee, Mr. N. C. King, Mr. F. X. Chan, Miss Eng Lai King, Miss Eng Ten Lon, Mr. Pon Lee, Mr. Quan Chue On, Mr. Wong Tsee Bing, Miss M. C. Bence, Mr. H. R. Manner, Mr. K. F. Puo, Mr. Torahiko Hara, Mr. S. Naka, Mrs. K. Naka, Miss T. Naka, Miss H. Naka, Mr. M. Yoshizaki, Mr. H. Yamada, Mrs. M. Yamada, Miss Y. Yamada, Mamada, Miss T. Yamada, Mr. K. Hara, Mr. G. Lawn, Mr. L. C. Hing, Miss A. Remacle, Mr. A. M. Barretts, Mr. Fong Hon Too, Mr. Au Chi Tsai, Mrs. C. Au, Miss C. Au, Mr. Wong Pak Wai, Mr. Chan Kee Leon, Mr. Mou Tsin Lan, Mr. H. T. Chug.

Departures.

The following passengers left here for Shanghai by the s.s. Patroclus: Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Buyers and infant, Miss F. S. Graddock, Mrs. D. Edwards, Miss V. P. Edwarrs, Mr. and Mrs. W. Field-Till, Mr. M. S. Fyffe, Mr. F. J. Grew, Miss L. Hammerton, Mr. and Mrs. N. Reader Harris, Miss M. Multy, Mrs. K. A. Higgs, Mrs. E. P. Higgs, Mr. S. H. Hudsell, Miss E. T. Hughes, Mr. T. H. Hutchison, Mrs. J. F. Lavers, Mrs. W. E. Leckie, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Mills, Dr. J. D. Riddell, Mrs. D. G. Smith, Mrs. E. Speyer, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Wall, Miss A. Wall, Mrs. W. S. Webb, Miss E. A. Wilcock, Mr. and Mrs. W. Whitelock, Misses M. and D. Whitelock, Mr. Bryce Smith, Mr. C. H. O. Strettell, Mr. W. E. Leckie, and Mr. E. H. Colleyshaw.

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In Dock.—Stormcloud, Sirdar, Bruce.

No. 1 buoy.—Hermes.
No. 5 buoy.—Cornwall.
No. 11 buoy.—Sepoy.
No. 12 buoy.—Thracian.
Whampoa Wharf.—Somme.
Taikoo Dock.—Berwick.
Foreigners.—*Nil.*

Maru, B31 Kweiyang, C35 Tonkin, B36 Yuan Lee, C39 An Lee, C40 New Mathilde, C41 Toyo Maru, C44 Proteus, B50 Cape St. Andrew, B51 Takao Maru.

ARRIVALS.

November 17.

Apoey, British str., 1,776 tons, Capt. C. W. Shearer, from Kamfa, Hok Yuen Anchorage.—Wo Fat Sing.

Kwai Sang, British str., 1,435 tons, Capt. P. Jowitt, from Swatow, West—Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Takno Maru, Japanese str., 1,953 tons. Capt. Y. Takahashi, from Keelung, buoy No. B51.—Wada & Co.

Tensan Maru, Japanese str., 1,888 tons, Capt. K. Kajikawa, from Dairen, Yaumati.—M.B.K.

Tjileboet, Dutch str., 3,625 tons, Capt. P. Meerman, from Amoy, buoy No. A8.—J.C.J.L.

November 18.

Anking, British str., 2,047 tons, Capt. R. Ritchie, from Singapore, buoy No. B11.—B. & S.

Asuka Maru, Japanese str., 4,538 tons, Capt. S. Kimura, from Manila, buoy No. A24.—N.Y.K.

Penrinnes, British str., 3,067 tons, Capt. W. F. Riddle, from London *vid* Straits, Kowloon Wharf.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Canton, Swedish m.v., 4,501 tons, Capt. S. W. Hollberg, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Gilman & Co., Ltd.

Hong Hwa, British str., 1,924 tons, Capt. H. G. Hay, from Singapore, buoy No. A25.—Ho Thong & Co.

Kamakura Maru, Japanese str., 3,624 tons, Capt. Z. Hirai, from Singapore, buoy No. A5.—N.Y.K.

Kasado Maru, Japanese str., 6,020 tons, Capt. S. Hinokuma, from Moji, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Kidderpore, British str., 3,267 tons, Capt. F. D. Pigot, from Shanghai, buoy No. A3.—M. M. & Co.

Kut Sang, British str., 3,639 tons, Capt. D. R. Kilbee, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Pronto, Norwegian str., 1,253 tons, Capt. Bj. Miller, from Amoy, Yaumati.—K. Larsen & Co.

Shirala, British str., 7,841 tons, Capt. T. S. Beedle, from Japan *vid* Amoy, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,616 tons, Capt. J. Layton, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Tean, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. A. N. Taylor, from Shanghai *vid* Swatow, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Tjikarang, Dutch str., 6,064 tons, Capt. P. Hopman, from Tanjong Pandan, buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,023 tons, Capt. J. J. Duit, from Amoy, buoy No. A6.—J.C.J.L.

Yuan Lee, Chinese str., 1,661 tons, Capt. A. Kraukle, from Saigon and Swatow, buoy No. B36.—Yuen Seng Fat.

CLEARANCES.

November 18.

Anhui, for Pass Thron.
Anking, for Swatow.
Asuka Maru, for Keelung.
Hong Hwa, for Swatow.
Hydrangea, for Swatow.
Kamakura Maru, for Moji.
Kasado Maru, for Singapore.
Kidderpore, for Singapore.
King Yuan, for Hoihow.
Kum Sang, for Singapore.
Kwai Sang, for Canton.
New Mathilde, for Hoihow.
President Taft, for Shanghai.
Pronto, for Hongay.
Proteus, for Bangkok.
Sinkiang, for Swatow.
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"KARMALA"	9,128	17th Jan.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	8,985	25th Jan.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	31st Jan.	do
"KALYAN"	9,144	14th Feb	do.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	28th Feb.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,980	14th Mar	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	27th Mar.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
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Swatow	*Oremer*	20th Nov.
Europe via Suez (Letters & papers, London, 24th Oct., & parcels 17th Oct.)	*Malwa*	21st Nov.
Japan	*Buenos Aires Maru*	21st Nov.
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Australia & Manila	*Tango Maru* ...	21st Nov.
U.S.A. (Seattle, 2nd Nov.), Canada, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Jefferson* ...	22nd Nov.
Straits	*Fushimi Maru* ...	25th Nov.
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Japan	*Teucer*	27th Nov.
Japan & Shanghai	*Kashima Maru* ...	29th Nov.
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		Tuesday, 19th, Par. Noon
Straits & Calcutta	*Shirala*... ...	Letters 1.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haicheng*	1.00 P.M.
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		Wednesday, 20th,
Java via Batavia	*Tjikembang* ...	9.30 A.M.
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Shanghai, Japan & *EUROPE via Siberia	*Athos II*	2.30 P.M.
		Thursday 21st,
Swatow Amoy and Formosa	*Deli Maru* ...	8.30 A.M.
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Straits	*Cremer*	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai & Dairy	*Chanan*	1.30 P.M.
Manila	*Emp. of Russia* ...	3.30 P.M.
		Friday, 22nd,
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East & South Africa	*Buenos Aires Maru*	9.30 A.M.
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Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	*Hua Ning* ...	2.00 P.M.

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SHOU J. CHEN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th June, 1927. [38



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A. LECOT,
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H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong, Sept. 11, 1929. [35

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On London.—	
Telegraphic Transfer...	1/8⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	1/8 9/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/8⅞
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/9⅛
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/9⅜
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	106⅜
Credits, 4 months' sight	113⅞
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	41⅞
Credits, at 60 days' sight	43⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	114⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	114⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight ...	79
Private, 30 days' sight	—
On Yokohama.—	
On demand	84⅞
On Manila.—On demand...	83⅛
On Singapore.—	
On demand	73⅜
On Batavia.—On demand...	103⅛
On Haiphong.—	
On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand...	nom.
On Bangkok.—	
On demand	108⅛
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	11.23
Gold Leaf, 10 fine, per tael	—
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